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EAST KINGSTON TOWN REPORT 1999



ABOUT THE COVER

"The Smith Farm"

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This portrait of an 18th century home depicts a traditional New Hampshire house and farm that is still in operation today. Tristram Sanborn built the four-bedroom colonial-style farmhouse, located on Sanborn Road in 1719. Richard A. Smith, a young man from Wakefield, MA, along with his mother, Elizabeth, purchased the 100-acre farm in 1944 from Lemule Friend for about \$3,000. In 1946 Richard married Eva Sampson and together they raised four children, Richard Jr., Herbert, Jan, and Ronald. From 1944 to 1986 Richard and his family operated a dairy farm here. In 1987 he converted farm operations from dairy to raising hay and produce. Seasonal items harvested and sold at the farm still today include a variety of vegetables like squash, pumpkins, corn, and strawberries. They have also produced maple syrup each year since 1944.

The Smith family has not just been known for their hand at farming. Throughout the years family members managed to find time in their busy schedules to contribute to the town by serving as various town officials. Richard Jr. served as a selectman for six years, and Eva was a school board member for 21 years and financial secretary for the community church for 32 years. Richard Sr. has been a charter member of the Fire Department since 1949, assistant fire chief and fire warden since 1965, planning board member since 1973, and zoning board of adjustment member from 1976 to 1988. Jan, Eva and Richard Sr. have also served as church trustees.

It could be said that this house and land have sustained a fine example of the New Hampshire traditional farm and family... actually, the family may be more exceptional.

Appreciation is extended to the artist
Peter Harrison Syred
and the Richard Smith Family for their
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ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
SELECTMEN, TAX COLLECTOR, TOWN
CLERK, TREASURER, PUBLIC LIBRARY,
TRUSTEES OF THE CEMETERY, AND
TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1999
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SCHOOL TREASURER
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 1999
TOGETHER WITH THE VITAL STATISTICS
OF THE
TOWN OF
EAST KINGSTON
NEW HAMPSHIRE
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TOWN OF EAST KINGSTON EMERGENCY CALLS

ALL FIRE, POLICE, AMBULANCE EMERGENCY CALLS

DIAL 911

BUSINESS CALLS

Building Inspector.....	642-8406	Office
	642-8727	Home
Elementary School.....	642-3511	
Fire Department.....	642-3141	Non-emergency
Police Department.....	642-5427	Non-emergency
Emergency Management.....	642-8406	
State Police.....	679-3333	Non-emergency
Fire/Burn Permits.....	642-5544	Richard Smith
Public Library.....	642-8333	
Monday 9AM-7PM, Wednesday 1PM-7PM, Thursday 3PM-7PM, Friday 9AM-1PM, Saturday 9AM-1PM, Closed Tuesdays & Sundays.		
Recycling Center.....	642-8406	
Self serve 24 hours a day, Saturday 7:30 AM-11:45 AM for assistance.		
Rubbish Pick-up.....	642-8406	
Every Monday 7AM curbside.		
Selectmen's Office.....	642-8406	
Monday - Friday, 8AM-2PM		
Town Cemeteries.....	642-8406	
Town Clerk/Tax Collector.....	642-8794	
Monday 6:00-8:00PM, Tuesday 8:30AM-12:30PM, Wednesday Closed, Thursday 8:30AM-12:30PM and 4:00-6:00PM, Friday 8:30AM-12:30 PM.		

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TOWN OFFICERS

Elected Officers:

Board of Selectmen (RSA 41:8 to 8-E)

2000	Donald C. Andolina	642-7158
2001	John L. Fillio	642-4423
2002	Raymond R. Donald	778-1107

Moderator (RSA 40:1)

2000	Robert B. Donovan	642-8386
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Road Agent (RSA 231:62 to 62-B)

2000	Robert L. Rossi	642-5246
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Supervisors of the Checklist (RSA 41:46-a)

2000	Virginia E. Conti	642-8872
2001	Patricia A. Mazur	642-8033
2002	Sarah B. Lazor	642-5955

Town Clerk/Tax Collector (RSA 41:45-A)

2001	Barbara A. Clark	642-8794
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Treasurer (RSA 41:26 to 26B)

2001	Katherine A. Hankin	772-5675
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Trustees of the Cemetery

2000	Vytautas Kasinskas	772-8855
2001	Donald C. Andolina	642-7158
2001	Eugene V. Madej (Appt.Sexton)	642-8457
2002	Henry F. Lewandowski, Jr.	642-8406

Trustees of the Public Library (RSA 202-A:6)

2000	Joan W. Kasinskas	772-8855
2000	Beverly A. Fillio	642-4423
2001	Conrad V. Moses	642-4697
2002	Shirley A. Hammershoy	642-5597
2002	Carol A. Davis	642-5227

Trustees of the Trust Funds

2000	Vytautas Kasinskas	772-8855
2001	Charles A. Walker	642-4447
2002	J. Roby Day, Jr.	642-7956

NOTE: Elected Officers serve to Town Meeting of year noted.

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Animal Control Officer

Dec. 2000	Robert A. Marston, DVM	778-0570
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Board of Adjustment (RSA 673:5)

642-8406

Dec. 2000	David C. Boudreau, Jr.	
Dec. 2000	Norman J. Freeman, Sr.	
Dec. 2001	David E. Ciardelli, Vice Chairman	
Dec. 2001	Richard A. Cook, Alternate	
Dec. 2001	Nathaniel B. Rowell, Alternate	
Dec. 2002	Edward A. Cardone	
Dec. 2002	Peter A. Riley, Alternate	
Dec. 2002	J. Roby Day, Jr., Alternate	
Dec. 2002	Donald C. Andolina, Alternate	
Dec. 2002	John V. Daly, Chairman	
	*Catherine Belcher, Secretary	

Building Inspector

642-8406

Dec. 2000	Glenn P. Clark	642-8727
Dec. 2000	Kent H. Shepherd, Jr.	382-7089

Cable Committee

642-8406

Dec. 2000	Gerald E. Bean	
Dec. 2000	Ronald Edmiston	
Dec. 2000	Stephen A. Koukias	
Dec. 2000	Eugene V. Madej	
Dec. 2000	Conrad V. Moses	
Dec. 2000	Ronald G. Strickland	

Conservation Commission (RSA 36-A:3)

642-8406

Mar. 2000	Stanley C. Drew	
Mar. 2000	Richard S. Urwick	
Mar. 2001	Raymond R. Donald	
Mar. 2001	John L. Fillio, Alternate	
Mar. 2001	James L. Nupp	
Mar. 2001	Lawrence K. Smith, Chairman	
Mar. 2002	Richard C. Marcella	
Mar. 2002	Vytautas Kasinskas	
Mar. 2002	Dennis G. Quintal	

Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector		
Dec. 2000	Sharon P. Day	642-8794
Deputy Treasurer		
Mar. 2000	Donald H. Clark	642-8406
Emergency Management		
Dec. 2000	Amanda J. Lashoones Coordinator	642-5246
Dec. 2000	Austin Carter, Sr. Deputy Coordinator	642-8254
Fire Department	Emergency Business	911
Dec. 2000	Alan J. Mazur Fire Chief & Fire Engineer	642-3141
Dec. 2000	Richard A. Smith, Sr. Asst. Fire Chief & Fire Engineer	642-8663
Dec. 2000	A. Robert Carter, Jr. Deputy Fire Chief & Fire Engineer	642-5544
Fire Warden (Town-State appointed) 1 year term		
2000	Richard A. Smith, Sr.	642-8254
Fire Wardens (Deputies – State appointed) 1 year term		
2000	Alan J. Mazur	642-5544
2000	Adam J. Mazur	642-8663
2000	A. Robert Carter, Jr.	642-8033
2000	Andrew D. Conti	642-8254
Health Officer (RSA 128:1) (State appointed) 3 year term		
2000	Andrew L.T. Berridge	642-7887
Historical Committee		
Dec. 2000	Janet W. Damsell, Chairman	394-0224
Dec. 2000	Donald H. Clark	
Dec. 2000	Susan St. Martin	
Dec. 2000	Joseph O'Sullivan	
Honorary	William A. Wright	

Library

- * Tracy J. Waldron, Librarian 642-8333
- * Diane S. Sheckells, Asst. Librarian
- * Barbara T. Belmonte, Library Aide

Planning Board (RSA 673:5)

642-8406

- Mar. 2000 Raymond R. Donald (served 3/99-6/99)
- Mar. 2000 John L. Fillio, Ex-officio (served from 6/99)
- Mar. 2001 Richard A. Smith, Sr., Chairman
- Mar. 2001 Robert A. Marston, DVM
- Mar. 2001 Peter A. Riley, Alternate
- Mar. 2002 Beverly A. Fillio
- Mar. 2002 Edward C. Johnson, Jr., Vice Chairman
- Mar. 2002 Robert L. Nigrello, Alternate
- Mar. 2002 David Morse, Alternate
- *Catherine Belcher, Secretary

Police Department**Emergency
Business****911
642-5427**

- Dec. 2000 Henry F. Lewandowski, Jr., Police Chief
- Dec. 2000 Mark A. Cook
- Dec. 2000 Raymond E. Fluet
- Dec. 2000 Robert J. Forrest
- Dec. 2000 Mark A. Heitz
- Dec. 2000 Raymond A. Marquis, Jr.
- Dec. 2000 Richard R. Simpson (Full-time)
- Dec. 2000 Patrick E. Smart

Recreation Committee

642-8406

- Dec. 2000 Michael C. Moore
- Dec. 2000 D. James Clark
- Dec. 2000 William M. Miller
- Dec. 2000 James S. Moser
- Dec. 2000 Daniel J. Owens
- Dec. 2000 David G. Vlasich
- Dec. 2000 Richard B. Martyn
- Dec. 2000 Robert A. Staves
- Dec. 2000 David G. Miller

Recycling Committee

Dec. 2000	Kimberley Casey, Chairman	772-8506
Dec. 2000	Christine Coronis	
Dec. 2000	Eugene V. Madej, Recycling Caretaker	

Rockingham Planning Commission

Sep. 2003	Lawrence K. Smith	778-0885
Apr. 2001	James Roby Day, Jr.	642-5538
		642-7956

Town Office Custodian

*Eugene V. Madej

642-8406

Seacoast MPO Advisory Committee

Dec. 2000 Joseph L. O'Sullivan

642-8406

Welfare Agent

Dec. 2000 Donald H. Clark

642-8406

Town Office Staff:

- *Deborah G. Gallant, Administrative Assistant
- *Donald H. Clark, Selectmen's Special Assistant
- *Cheryll Hurteau, Administrative Clerk
- *Catherine Belcher, PB & ZBA Clerk, Newsletter Editor

Contracted Auditors

Plodzik & Sanderson Professional Association

*Note: Town employees, not appointed.

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TOWN MEETING 1999

The Annual Town Election was called to order on March 9, 1999 at 8:00AM by the Moderator, Robert B. Donovan. Polls closed by the Moderator at 7:00PM. Town meeting was called to order at 7:25PM with approximately 100 people attending.

School Ballot

School Board Member; 3 yr. term:	Robert Caron	264
School District Treasurer; 1 yr. term:	Deborah Caron	251
School District Clerk; 1 yr. term:	Thomasina Levesque	272
School District Moderator; 1 yr. term:	Robert B. Donovan (write in)	54
School District Auditors; 1 yr. term (2):	Estelle Decatur (write in)	8
	Mary Kelley (write in)	7

Article 1 On the petition of James Roby Day and 41 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston, are you in favor of adopting the provisions of RSA 40:13, to allow Official ballot voting on all issues before the East Kingston School District?

YES 181 NO 142*

Exeter Region Cooperative School District Ballot

(East Kingston voting results only)

ERCS Board Member (E. K.); 3 yr. term:	Kimberley Casey	283
ERCS Board Member (Exeter); 3 yr. term:	Linda P. Henderson	186
ERCS Board Member (Stratham); 3 yr. term:	Lucy H. Cushman	179
ERCS District Moderator; 1 yr. term:	Charles F. Tucker	230

Exeter Region Cooperative School District Articles:

Article 1 Shall the District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$23,770,639? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$22,958,526, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the District or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

YES 176* NO 146

Article 2 *Shall the District approve the cost items included in the one year extension of the Collective Bargaining Agreement reached between the School Board and the Exeter Education Association which calls for an approximately one and six-tenths percent (1.6%)*

increase in the cost of salaries and no change in benefits for the 1999-2000 fiscal year over the 1998-1999 fiscal year; and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$188,074 for said increase?

YES 201* NO 117

Article 3 *Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$480,400 for acquisition of computer equipment, cabling, and related goods and services for the District schools? This is a special warrant article. (This appropriation is the second year of a three year plan, the first year of which was funded by the 1998 meeting.)*

YES 194* NO 128

Article 4 *Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of the amount of the June 30, 1999 undesignated fund balance, up to \$750,000, to be added to the capital reserve fund under RSA 35:1 established by the 1998 District meeting for the purpose of construction, reconstruction, or acquisition of school buildings and/or school ground site improvements, including associated engineering and architectural fees? [The purpose of this Article is to appropriate to said capital reserve fund (which currently contains approximately \$110,000) interest earned on bond proceeds from the Middle School construction project.]*

YES 170* NO 146

Article 5 *Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$200,000 for the following: design and construction of an irrigation system for the Cooperative Middle School playing fields (not to exceed \$140,000); reconstruction of upper and lower football and baseball fields at Exeter High School (not to exceed \$45,000); and construction of additional storage capacity at the Cooperative Middle School (not to exceed \$15,000); such \$200,000.00 to be raised from that portion of the June 30, 1999 undesignated fund balance attributable to interest earned on the bond proceeds from the Cooperative Middle School construction project? This is a special warrant article.*

YES 124 NO 173*

Article 6 *Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$75,000 for engineering and architectural fees in connection with proposed renovations to the Exeter High School and authorize the withdrawal of up to said \$75,000 from the capital reserve fund under RSA 35:1 established by the 1998 District meeting for the*

purposes including construction and reconstruction of school buildings and/or school ground site improvements, including associated engineering and architectural fees? This is a special warrant article.

YES 97 NO 203*

Article 7 *Shall the District, pursuant to RSA 35:2, elect that the Trustees of Trust Funds of the Town of East Kingston shall hold the capital reserve funds of the District?*

YES 235* NO 62

Article 8 *Shall the Exeter Region Cooperative School District limit Construction Managers' fees on any and all district projects, including renovations to the Exeter High and the Annex, to an amount not to exceed Fifteen (15%) percent of any and all contracts awarded? Further, any and all other contractual services, purchases and acquisitions in excess of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) shall conform with school board policies.*

YES 217* NO 71

Article 9 *On petition of George M. Walker and others: to see whether the voters favor negotiating a change in the method of teacher compensation in the District from a Salary schedule based primarily on years of experience and education attainment to a market-driven compensation system that rewards teachers for productivity and accountability in achieving the educational goals of the District.*

YES 224* NO 75

Article 10 *On petition of Raymond Trueman and others: shall the Exeter Regional Cooperative School District create a planning committee according to the provisions of RSA 194-C, to consider withdrawal from School Administrative Unit #16?*

YES 86 NO 202*

Article 11 *Shall the Exeter Region Cooperative School District recommend that the School Board, prior to January 1, 2000, study the feasibility of divesting any and all cost sharing with the Exeter School District in the following categories: Business Manager, Maintenance Supervisor, Maintenance Employees, and Business Office Expense?*

YES 144* NO 133

Article 12 *Shall the Exeter Region Cooperative School District not impose a spending cap for the High School and Annex Building renovation and expansion at this time?*

YES 91 NO 197*

Article 13 *Shall the Exeter Region Cooperative School District recommend that the School Board, prior to January 1, 2000, complete a study whether or not to privatize the Fiscal Services (Business Office)?*

YES 150* NO 130

Article 14 *Shall the Exeter Region Cooperative School District decline to accept the Real Property located at 131-133 Court Street from the Exeter School District for the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and/or other considerations?*

YES 124 NO 159*

Article 15

Shall the Exeter Region Cooperative School District not impose an additional spending cap on the Operational Budget at this time?

YES 91 NO 194*

Town Ballot

Selectmen; 3 yr. term:	Raymond R. Donald	281
Trustee of the Public Library; 3 yr. term:	Carol A. Davis	267
Trustee of the Public Library; 2 yr. term:	Shirley A. Hammershoy	263
Trustee of the Cemetery; 3 yr. term:	Henry F. Lewandowski, Jr.	305
Road Agent; 1 yr. term:	Robert L. Rossi	305
Trustee of the Trust Funds; 3 yr. term:	James Roby Day	241
Trustee of the Trust Funds; 2 yr. term:	Charles A. Walker	286
Trustee of the Trust Funds; 1 yr. term:	Vytautas Kasinskas	252

East Kingston Warrant Articles

1. *To choose all necessary Town Officers for the Year Ensuing*
2. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of East Kingston Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

Amend IV.F to read as follows:

F. On premise advertising signs in the Residential District shall be allowed under the following conditions:

1. They shall be no more than four (4) square feet in size.

2. They shall be illuminated only by non-colored, non-rotating, non-flashing light.
3. No sign shall be placed in such a position as to endanger traffic on a street or highway by obstructing a clear view or by confusion with official street signs or signals.
4. Every sign shall be constructed of durable materials and shall be maintained in good condition and repair at all times.
5. All signs must be located a minimum of 10 (ten) feet from any right-of-way or property line.
6. Prior to installation, a permit for each sign shall be obtained from the Board of Selectmen.

And add a new IV.G, as follows:

G. Signs in the Commercial and Light Industrial districts shall comply with the Signs section of the Site and Building Design Requirements in the Site Plan Review Regulations.

And renumber the existing IV. G, H, and I (to H, I, and J).

And delete XII.3.H (page 27) [pertains to signs in the Light Industrial district].

YES 231* NO 69

3. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of East Kingston Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

Amend Article IV.I Temporary Manufactured Housing to read as follows:

Temporary Manufactured Housing. Notwithstanding the provisions in VI.D, for the purposes of constructing a conventional dwelling, or in emergency situations where an existing dwelling has suffered damage, the Board of Selectmen may authorize the Building Inspector to grant a temporary building/occupancy permit for a single manufactured housing unit to be placed on a lot. The permit shall be valid for twelve months. The Board of Selectmen may authorize the renewal of the temporary occupancy permit for no more than twelve additional months if just cause can be shown by the applicant. Prior to issuing the permit, the Selectmen shall receive an acceptable security (including, but not limited to performance bond, letter of credit, passbook) in the amount of \$5,000 to guarantee the removal of the temporary structure before the end

of the twelve month period(s). Such temporary building permits shall not be affected by any local growth control ordinances.

YES 246* NO 59

4. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of East Kingston Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

Amend XI.F by adding the following:

1. Density Bonus. If the following criteria are met, the Planning Board may award the respective density bonuses to the initial total allowable units allowed in F, above. The total density bonus awarded to a particular development under this section (XI.F.1) shall not exceed 10%. If any of the criteria are met and any percentage achieved, the minimum density bonus awarded shall be one dwelling unit. Percentages greater than .5% may be rounded up to the next whole number.
 - a. Open Space Bonus: Where the proposed plan shows 50% or more of the total parcel as open space protected as such in perpetuity (e.g., with a conservation easement), the development may be awarded a density bonus of 5%.
 - b. Public Access Bonus: Where the public is granted access to the open space, the development may be awarded a density bonus of 2.5%. The nature of public access required to trigger this bonus is pedestrian traffic. The agreement may reasonably restrict the use of motorized vehicles.
 - c. Agricultural Lands and Use Bonus: Where the development protects agriculturally valuable lands and provides for permission to be used as such in perpetuity, the development may be awarded a density bonus of 5%. In addition to being reasonably accessible, the agricultural land must meet at least two of the following criteria:
 - 1) The portion of open space preserved for agricultural use must amount to a minimum of 33% of the minimum required open space;
 - 2) The agricultural area must either have been historically farmed, or contain suitable soils for farming;
 - 3) The agricultural area must be a valuable agricultural and/or visual resource as determined by the Planning Board.
 - d. Innovative Protection Bonus: Where the development can demonstrate that it protects unique and valuable

characteristics, it may be awarded a total density bonus of 2.5%. Such characteristics include, but are not limited to the following:

- 1) Viewsheds, which include lands or corridors of land that contribute to the visual landscape of the town, including areas such as open fields, hillsides, stone walls, mature stands of trees, visible water bodies and their natural buffers.
 - 2) Historically significant buildings and landscapes, identified as such in the Master Plan, that include buildings and associated uses that are maintained and visually separated from the housing portion of the development. Structures or landscapes not identified as such in the Master Plan may qualify for the bonus if sufficient evidence is presented to the Planning Board. Such evidence may include Heritage Commission comment, listing or eligibility for the National Register of Historic Landmarks, or other qualified statements of historic value.
 - 3) Valuable wildlife and environmental areas that are otherwise buildable land, proven as such through an environmental resource inventory by a qualified wildlife biologist specializing in either flora or fauna.
 - 4) Parcels or trail corridors linking open space through the site with existing trails or open space networks. The beginning of such a network or trailway may qualify where reasonable opportunity is present for establishing through corridors onto neighboring parcels and provided that Conservation Commission comment is in favor of this location.
3. Additional Bonus for Protection of Frontage Lots: Where an applicant can show that a buildable lot with the required legal area and frontage on an existing roadway within the Town of East Kingston will be preserved in its natural condition (and the dwelling unit located instead internally in the development at least 400' from the existing roadway), the development may be awarded a density bonus of 0.5 lots (0.5 lot for each frontage lot preserved). In order to receive the frontage lots bonus, all dwelling units within the development must be located at least 400' from the existing roadway. This frontage lots bonus shall be in addition to any other bonus(es) awarded under XI.F.1 and shall not be included in or limited by the 10% maximum specified in XI.F.1.

3. The Planning Board shall have the authority to evaluate the evidence presented by the applicant and to determine whether any of the above mentioned density bonuses will be awarded.

YES 188* NO 121

5. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of East Kingston Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

Increase septic system fees to \$50 (\$35 for plan review, \$15 for permit) by:

Amending Article IX - Building Inspector and Permits, Section A.5 to read:

Any person reconstruction of constructing (for the first time) a sanitary system must obtain a permit from the Building Inspector. There is a fee of \$35 for the review of the septic plans and a fee of \$15 for the permit.

YES 197* NO 117

6. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by Citizen Petition for the Town of East Kingston Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

Relaxing the Towns restriction of permanent facilities development (excluding septic systems) in areas around Hydric A and Hydric B soils by:

Amending Article VIII - Wetland Conservation District Section E.3 to read:

Septic system leach field boundaries shall be located no closer than 100 feet from Hydric A soils, or 75 feet from Hydric B soils. Buildings, roads, driveways, etc. shall be located not closer than 30 feet to Hydric A soil and 15 feet to Hydric B soil, with the exception of driveway or road crossings necessary to access the buildable land.

YES 224* NO 81

7. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by Citizen Petition for the Town of East Kingston Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

Relaxing the requirements for septic system replacement by:

Adding the following text to Article IV -- General Provisions, Section D.6 and Article VIII - Wetland Conservation District, Section E.3.

Septic systems replacement for septic systems in existence prior to March 1999 shall be required to meet the State's minimum required setbacks.

YES 246* NO 65

8. *Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by Citizen Petition for the Town of East Kingston Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

Enlarge the commercial district on Powwow River Road by:

Adding a new #3 to Article VII - Commercial District, with a third paragraph as follows:

1. Land parcel MBL# 10-3-9, located at 14 Powwow River Road.

YES 236* NO 77

The Moderator, Robert B. Donovan, announced that the business meeting was called to order.

9. *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred sixty five thousand dollars (\$765,000) less estimated revenues to defray Town charges for the ensuing year.*

Motion made by: Roby Day. Seconded: Donald Andolina

Discussion: None

Voted: **Passed**

10. *To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts of personal property which may be offered to the town for any public purpose, pursuant to RSA 31:95-e. The Selectmen must hold a public hearing before accepting any such gift with a value of over \$500. For gifts with a value of \$500 or less, a public hearing on the proposed acceptance shall be at the discretion of the Selectmen. The acceptance of any such personal property shall not bind the Town to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of any such personal property.*

Motion made by: Donald Andolina. Seconded: John L. Fillio

Discussion: None

Voted: **Passed**

11. *To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town gifts, legacies and devises made to the Town in trust for any public purpose, as permitted by RSA 31:19.*

Motion made by: John L. Fillio. Seconded: Roby Day

Discussion: None

Voted: **Passed**

12. *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand eight hundred twenty dollars (\$6,820) for the third year installment of the three year lease/purchase agreement with the Ford Motor Company approved at the 1997 Town Meeting for the 1997 Ford Sedan to be used by the Police Department.*

Motion Made by: Roby Day. Seconded: Donald Andolina

Discussion: None

Voted: **Passed**

13. *To see if the Town will vote to enter into a three year lease/purchase agreement with Irwin Motors and to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand four hundred sixty dollars (\$7,460) for the first year installment for a 1999 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor Sedan to be used by the Police Department.*

Motion made by: Donald Andolina. Seconded: Holly Hammershoy

Discussion: David Woodburn asked why there was a need for a new police cruiser. Mr. Woodburn referenced page 67 of the Town Report and questioned why the total mileage last year for three cruisers was only 50,000 miles. Henry Lewandowski, Chief of Police, responded by saying that the 1986 Jeep Cherokee is used most often in the winter months and for details with approximately 1,800 miles put on last year. There were approximately 8,000 miles put on the 1997 cruiser and 41,000 miles put on the 1995 cruiser.

Selectman Donald Andolina commented that when Chief Lewandowski submitted his original budget to the Board of Selectmen he had an item of \$6,000 for maintenance of the cruisers. "The cost of a new cruiser at \$7,000 is a lot better than \$6,000 of maintenance on an older cruiser. The Selectmen authorized and approved this article."

Wayne Bigbie asked how many miles were on the 1995 cruiser? Police Chief, Henry Lewandowski, responded by saying there was 90,000 miles (133,000 drive train miles). Mr. Bigbie asked where he came up with \$6,000 for a maintenance budget figure. Chief

Lewandowski said it was an arbitrary figure based on previous maintenance costs.

Pat Mazur asked if they were selling one of the cruisers and if so would that money go towards the new purchase. Chief Lewandowski said that the money would go into the general fund after the 1995 cruiser was sold.

David Woodburn commented that over the last three years 130,000 miles have been put on the cruisers. Chief Lewandowski said that the 1995 cruiser was used exclusively for patrolling and that there was 16,000 miles on the 1997.

Bonnie McLaughlin had a comment regarding the mileage discussion on cruisers and that a cruiser does a lot of time running even though it isn't traveling.

Selectman Roby Day said "that from the Selectmen's point of view, it is simply a matter of economics. It is cheaper over the course of three years to lease/purchase a new vehicle than to continue to put more and more maintenance money into a motor vehicle."

Voted: **Passed**

14. *To see if the town will vote to discontinue the Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund established in 1993. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal, are to be transferred to the Town's general fund.*

Motion made by: John L. Fillio. Seconded by: Roby Day

Discussion: Curtis Jacques asked how much money is being transferred. Fire Chief, Alan Mazur, commented by saying there was \$300 in the Capital Reserve Fund (rescue vehicle fund).

Voted: **Passed**

15. *To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA Chapter 35, as amended, for the purpose to acquire a Fire Apparatus (Fire Engine Truck) and to receive further appropriations for said purpose.*

Motion Made by: Roby Day. Seconded: Donald Andolina

Discussion: Stanley Lashoonies asked if they were planning on adding to the fleet or replacing. Fire Deputy, Rob Carter, said that they would be replacing a 40 year old Mac, and planning ahead for the year 2001.

Selectman Roby Day said, "this is in our Capital Improvement Plan. We are following the format that was dictated by our planning which was to replace old equipment."

Voted: **Passed**

16. *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Fire Apparatus (Fire Engine Truck) Capital Reserve Fund.*

Motion made by: Donald Andolina. Seconded: Roby Day

Discussion: None

Voted: **Passed**

17. *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund.*

Motion made by: John L. Fillio. Seconded: Roby Day

Discussion: Henry Lewandowski asked when they were planning on performing a revaluation. Selectman Roby Day stated that the state requires the towns to do it every seven years with most towns typically going a lot longer than that. Selectman Roby Day said that a revaluation will occur when our market is distorted sufficiently enough as well as when the state tells us to do one.

Jim Nupp asked if it also was contingent upon the outcome of the Claremont decision. He questioned that if there was a state property tax would the town have to have a revaluation. Roby Day said he didn't know in terms of legislation but that the town can decide to have a revaluation and that we don't have to wait for the state.

Scott Urwick asked how much is in the fund now and how much does it cost to do a revaluation. Donald Clark responded by saying that the last revaluation was done in 1992 and that we normally have a revaluation every 10 years. He said that it would have to be done sooner if the equalized valuation kept going down and the state would push for us to have it done. The last revaluation cost approximately \$24,000 and would most likely cost between \$30,000-\$50,000 now.

Selectman Roby Day said it was an expensive operation as every property in town would have to be looked at.

Voted: **Passed**

18. *To see if the Town will vote to accept the Change of Polling Hours in said town in accordance with RSA 659:4-a: "Polling hours in the Town of East Kingston are now 8:00AM to 7:00PM. Shall we place a question on the state election ballot to change polling*

hours so that the polls shall open at 10:00AM and close at 7:00PM for all regular state elections beginning March 2000?"

Motion made by: Roby Day. Seconded: Donald Andolina

Discussion: Stanley Lashoonos asked Donald Clark if it was worth switching the polling hours as he would have a good feel for the amount of voters that come in between 8:00AM to 10:00AM. Donald Clark said that there has not been a good voter turnout to warrant this 8:00AM polling start time.

Gail Donald said that 30 voters came in before 10:00AM today and she said, "We are against it. We are a bedroom town where a lot of people go to work out of town. If they can't get in at 8:00AM and we close at 7:00PM then most of them are not home in time to vote." She compared our polling hours with other Seacoast towns and said that most towns opened at 8:00AM.

Dusty Decatur said "If we make a change, it should not be to decrease the hours. It should be to increase the hours from 8:00AM to 8:00PM."

Selectman Roby Day asked for the Moderator's opinion and Robert Donovan said that he would vote in favor of the article.

Jeff Rolfs wanted to know if this was a money issue and Selectman Roby Day said that that was a consideration because of the hours for election workers as well as having to disrupt the school activities.

Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Sharon Day, spoke and wanted to point out that absentee ballots were always available.

Selectman Roby Day stated that if this article did pass that it would then go on the ballot in September, that is when the voters would decide whether or not to change the way business is done and it would not go into effect until March 2000.

Voted: Failed

19. To see if the Town will vote to accept Greystone Road as a town-owned road as recommended by the Town Engineer.

Motion Made by: Donald Andolina. Seconded: John L. Fillio

Discussion: David Shea asked what taking over a town road entailed and what the status of the road was now. Selectman Roby Day stated that when a developer builds a road, he/she is responsible for the road for approximately a two year period after construction. The developer would be bonded. After the two year period, the town engineer would evaluate the road and we would vote to take on the

responsibility of that road, any repairs, or changes to it. It would become the town's responsibility.

Voted: **Passed**

20. To see if the Town will vote to accept Evergreen Way, Blue Heron Court and Deer Run as town-owned roads as recommended by the Town Engineer.

Motion made by: John L. Fillio. Seconded: Roby Day

Discussion: None

Voted: **Passed**

21. To see if the Town will vote to accept Ashlie Road as a town-owned road as recommended by the Town Engineer.

Motion made by: Roby Day. Seconded: Donald Andolina

Discussion: Deborah Kiesel asked if Ashlie Road was accepted as a town road, would this give the town the right to continue the road down to the light industrial area? Selectman Roby Day said that that was a function of planning.

Voted: **Passed**

22. To see if the Town will vote to accept Brandywine Drive as a town-owned road as recommended by the Town Engineer.

Motion Made by: Donald Andolina. Seconded: John L. Fillio

Discussion: Curtis Jacques asked "When these phases become part of the town's responsibility, does it have anything to do with revenue? What is the criteria and time table? Selectman Roby Day said that the real issue was planning and that revenue was not an issue.

Stanley Lashooness asked if the town was still holding bonds on the roads that were not yet accepted by the town? Donald Clark said that all of the bonds are being held and they are usually dated through March or April. Donald Clark said, "If they don't pass, we will have to extend the bond." Stanley Lashooness asked if there were repairs needed to the roads before the town accepts a road. He asked if there was enough money in the bonds to cover that. Donald Clark said that the builder is responsible until the town votes to accept it. With Brandywine, both the Town Engineer, Jay Stevens, of Civil Consultants and the Road Agent, Robert Rossi, approved it.

Richard Gordon asked if the offshoot roads off of Brandywine Drive are considered part of the road. Selectman Roby Day said that those side roads were private driveways and they had names only because of 911.

Pat Mazur asked if the town maintained those private driveways. Donald Clark responded that they were plowed for safety reasons but not hot topped.

Voted: **Passed**

23. *To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish or amend fees, as provided in RSA 41:9-a. Such fees may include licenses or permits which are part of a regulatory program established by a vote of the town. This authorization will remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of the town meeting.*

Motion made by: John L. Fillio. Seconded: Roby Day

Discussion: Andrew Berridge commented that he would feel much more comfortable if the Selectmen were required to have public meetings before changing those fees. Selectman Roby Day said that that was precisely what they had to do and that nothing happens without having a public meeting. Selectman Roby Day said that we voted today on an article to allow the Building Inspector to be compensated for septic system designs. "If we had this RSA in place, we would of been able to address it then. This would enable us to take care of situations in the future when we are confronted with a problem mid year or sometime before Town Meeting and we would like to act on it."

Voted: **Passed**

24. *On the petition of Conrad Moses and 39 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Library Capital Reserve Fund established at the 1997 Town Meeting.*

Motion made by: Conrad Moses. Seconded: Carol Davis

Discussion: None

Voted: **Passed**

25. *On the petition of Clarke R. Chandler and 28 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred seventy five dollars (\$275) to the Richie McFarland Children's Center. (\$275 for each child from East Kingston receiving service - 1 child served.)*

Motion made by: Patricia Keans. Seconded: Frederick Keans

Discussion: A question was asked of how many children are served by this center and the response was just one.

Voted: **Passed**

26. *On the petition of Larry Bean and 24 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred forty two dollars (\$342.00) to Rockingham Nutrition & Meals on Wheels Program which provides a service for older and homebound older and disabled East Kingston residents.*

Motion made by: Cathy Belcher. Seconded: Rob Caron

Discussion: None

Voted: **Passed**

27. *On the petition of Lucille H. Cacciatore and 29 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred fifty dollars (\$850) to Seacoast Hospice, a non-profit organization.*

Motion made by: Andrew Berridge. Seconded: Marilyn Berridge

Discussion: Stanley Lashoonos asked if there was an increase from last year. Andrew Berridge said that the amount (\$850.) was based on the amount of people being served.

Voted: **Passed**

28. *On the petition of Priscilla B. Clark and 27 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand two hundred seventy four dollars (\$2,274) to the Rockingham Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice for providing continued health care service to the residents of the Town.*

Motion made by: Priscilla B. Clark. Seconded: Stu Aronson

Discussion: David Woodward wanted to know exactly where this money goes to. Rose Sanborn, VNA, stated that last year they provided 23 visits to East Kingston residents and that they anticipate an increase. Services are provided for people who are unable to pay.

Pat Mazur asked why there are two organizations. Rose Sanborn said that it is one operation that provides both home care and hospice care.

Voted: **Passed**

29. *On the petition of Vicki Mello and 26 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred eighty eight dollars (\$688) to Rockingham Community Action, a private, non-profit, multi-service, anti-poverty agency. This amount represents 5 1/4% of \$13,105 (thirteen thousand one hundred five dollars), the*

value of services rendered to East Kingston residents from July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998.

Motion made by: Stu Aronson. Seconded: Rob Caron

Discussion: None

Voted: **Passed**

30. On the petition of Andrew Berridge and 28 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) to assist New Outlook, Inc. in providing support for New Outlook's programs, in an effort to serve the needs of SAU-16's youth.

Motion made by: Andrew Berridge. Seconded: Gail Donald

Discussion: Henry Lewandowski wanted to know what this organization does. Andrew Berridge said that New Outlook is a teen center for all SAU16 District children, located in the old Court Street nursing home. The primary function is to provide a safe place for teens, some diverse activities to keep kids off the street and out of trouble, summer programs, homework and after school programs. Last year there were approximately 20 children from this town who used this facility on an intermittent basis.

Voted: **Passed**

31. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Selectman Roby Day took the opportunity to recognize Cathy Belcher. "Cathy has been an extraordinary asset to our town for several years - publisher extraordinaire to our town newsletter." He read a letter of appreciation and presented her with a gift certificate. Cathy received a standing ovation.

Selectman Donald Andolina commented that the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Roby Day, has decided to retire. Roby Day was thanked for his faithful and dedicated service and hard work during his three year term as Selectman. He was presented with a plaque of appreciation.

Motion to adjourn: Stu Aronson. Seconded: Rob Caron

Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM.

Respectfully,

Barbara A. Clark

Barbara A. Clark, Town Clerk

1998 AUDITOR'S REPORT

(Prior Year)

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF REPORTABLE CONDITIONS AND OTHER MATTERS

In planning and reforming our audit of the Town of East Kingston for the year ended December 31, 1998, we considered the Town's internal control structure in order to determine the scope of our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements.

Our review of these systems was not intended to provide assurance on the internal control structure and should not be relied on for that purpose.

Under the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities, in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited, may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above.

The following conditions were noted that we do not consider to be material weakness:

PURCHASE ORDERS

Our testing of paid bills disclosed that purchase orders are now being used consistently, but they are not dated. The purpose of issuing

purchase orders is to maintain control over the ordering of goods and services.

It is recommended that all purchase orders be properly dated and all purchase order procedures be adhered to in order to have a proper working procurement system.

RECREATION COMMITTEE ACCOUNT

This was the first year that this account was submitted to us for audit and during our audit the following conditions were noted:

1. The bank account is not in the custody of the Town Treasurer.
2. The account has not been formally established as a special revenue fund and should be annually budgeted for.
3. There was a lack of supporting documentation for many disbursements.
4. No Summary of Activity was prepared at year end for the account detailing the year's receipts and disbursements.

In order to assist the Town with correcting the above noted conditions, we recommend the following:

1. The recreation committee account should be formally established as a special revenue fund. Per RSA 35-B:2 which states in part that "All revenue from such fees and charges may be deposited into a special fund established by vote of the legislative body." The Town should also annually budget for the revenues and expenditures of this fund.
2. The recreation committee account should be in the custody of the Town Treasurer. RSA 41:29 states, in part, that "the town treasurer shall have custody of all moneys belonging to the town and shall pay out the same only upon orders of the selectmen or in the case of a recreation revolving fund established pursuant to RSA 35-B:2, upon the order of the recreation or park commission, or other body designated by the town to expend such a fund."
3. To improve accounting controls, all supporting documentation for disbursements should be retained. The invoice documentation should be canceled showing the date paid, check number and amount paid. All documentation should then be filed in a neat and orderly manner to facilitate an efficient audit trail.
4. A summary of all the accounts activity for the year should be prepared. This summary should be reconciled with the bank account.

We are pleased to report that, during the course of our review of internal controls, no material weakness in the Town's accounting

system and records were identified. Minor weaknesses or other considerations coming to our attention were generally procedural in nature and dealt with administrative or record keeping practices. In these instances, we made specific recommendations or provided instruction to those individuals involved during the course of our audit fieldwork.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and others within the administration. This restriction is not intended to limit distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

[Signed: Plodzik & Sanderson, Professional Association]

January 16, 1999

1999 AUDITOR'S REPORT

(Current Year)

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employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above.

The following condition was noted that we do not consider to be a material weakness:

Tax Collector

During our examination of the tax collector's records, we found the following State Statute had not been complied with:

RSA 80:70 Notice of Redemption – states “when full redemption is made, the tax collector shall within 30 days after redemption notify the Register of the act...”

We recommend that the tax collector complete the redemption's on a regular monthly basis so that she is in compliance with RSA 80:70.

FOLLOW-UP TO PRIOR YEAR MANAGEMENT LETTER COMMENTS

Purchase orders

In the prior year our testing disclosed that purchase orders were not being dated. During our testing for the current year, it was noted that purchase orders were now being properly dated and that all purchase order procedures were being followed.

Recreation Department Account

The numbered statements below represent conditions noted in the prior year. The note below each condition describes its current status.

1. The bank account was not in the custody of the Town Treasurer.

This condition remained unchanged in 1999, but in January 2000, this account was going to be put into the Town Treasurer's custody.

2. The account had not been formally established as a special revenue fund nor had a budget been adopted for it.

This condition remained unchanged in 1999, and we again recommend that the account be formally established as a special revenue fund and that it be budgeted for on an annual basis.

3. There was lack of supporting documentation for many disbursements.

This condition was corrected in 1999.

4. No Summary of Activity was prepared at year-end for the account detailing the year's receipts and disbursements.

This condition was corrected in 1999.

Minor weaknesses or other considerations coming to our attention were generally procedural in nature and dealt with administrative or record keeping practices. In these instances, we made specific recommendations or provided instruction to applicable individuals during the course of our audit fieldwork.

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Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association

January 14, 2000

On that note...

The Town of East Kingston has contracted with the auditing firm of Plodzik and Sanderson for the past several years. The firm works closely with those directly involved with the operating of revenues and expenses for the Town. At year-end, each department is asked to submit the documentation necessary to complete the audit.

The Board of Selectmen would like to acknowledge the cooperation of the Treasurer, Katherine Hankin, Town Clerk/Tax Collector Barbara Clark, Trustees for the Library Treasurer, Conrad Moses, Trustees of the Cemetery Bookkeeper, Vytautas Kasinskas, Trustees of the Trust Funds Bookkeeper, Charles Walker, Conservation Commission Chairman Lawrence Smith, Recreation Committee Treasurer Robert Staves and Administrative Assistant Deborah Gallant for submitting all of the required information for the auditors to review.

The audit was performed January 12 - 14, 2000 and thanks to the efforts of those named above, the audit went very well. The residents of East Kingston can be very proud of those dedicated people who oversee how each tax dollar is spent.

BALANCE SHEET

(All fund types and account groups)

	Governmental Fund Types	Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Group	Total (Memorandum only)
	General	Special Revenue	Trust and Agency	Gen. Long Term Debt
ASSETS & OTHER DEBT				
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash and Equivalents	\$1,452,390	\$41,716	\$2,485 630,958	\$1,496,591 630,958
Investments				
Receivables (Net of Allowance for Uncollectibles)				
Taxes	280,881			280,881
Accounts	836			836
Intergovernmental	1,346			1,346
Interfund Receivable			976,017	976,017
<u>OTHER DEBITS</u>				
Amount to be provided for retirement of General Long-Term Debt				12,747
TOTAL ASSETS & OTHER DEBITS	\$1,735,453	\$41,716	\$1,609,460	\$3,399,376

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	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Gen. Long Term Debt</u>	
LIABILITIES & EQUITY				
<u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Intergovernmental Payable	976,017	1,333,776		1,333,776
Interfund Payable				976,017
Capital Leases Payable			12,747	12,747
Total Liabilities	976,017	1,333,776	12,747	2,322,540
<u>EQUITY</u>				
Fund Balances				
Reserved for Endowments				146,789
Reserved for Special Purposes	1,293			130,188
Unreserved		41,716		41,716
Designated for Special Purposes				758,143
Undesignated	758,143			758,143
Total Equity	759,436	41,716	275,684	1,076,836
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$1,735,453	\$41,716	\$12,747	\$3,399,376

BUDGET - APPROVED 1999 & PROPOSED 2000

(Expenses)

APPROPRIATIONS	1999 BUDGET	1999 ACTUAL	2000 PROPOSED
4130 EXECUTIVE	54,300	56,022	58,985
BOARD OF SELECTMEN	4,950	4,950	4,950
TOWN OFFICE COSTS	46,150	48,926	50,835
MODERATOR/TN MEET	2,900	1,846	2,900
TRUST. OF TRUST FUND	300	300	300
4140 ELEC., REG., VITALS	13,900	11,623	20,700
TOWN CLERK OFFICE	13,900	11,543	14,800
NON-TOWN ELEC. COSTS	0	80	5,900
4150 FINANCIAL ADMIN.	42,700	45,229	47,650
ACCOUNTING	22,070	22,781	26,925
AUDITING	4,680	4,500	5,000
TAX COLLECTOR OFFICE	10,800	10,614	10,800
TREASURER OFFICE	1,650	1,652	1,925
INFORMATION SYSTEMS	3,500	5,682	3,000
4152 PROPERTY REVAL.	10,000	8,927	10,000
REVALUATION	10,000	8,927	10,000
4153 LEGAL EXPENSES	20,000	34,433	30,000
TOWN COUNSEL	20,000	34,433	30,000
4155 PERSONNEL ADMIN.	33,500	32,409	40,140
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	33,500	32,409	40,140
4191 PLAN. & ZONING	18,400	12,054	21,700
PLANNING BOARD	14,100	10,145	17,900
BOARD OF ADJUST.	2,100	1,804	2,300
CODE ENFORCEMENT	2,200	105	1,500
4194 GOVERNMENT BLDs.	42,900	43,543	51,100
TOWN OFFICE	18,500	21,648	24,240
TOWN HALL	7,100	4,491	7,200
POLICE STATION/EOC	4,600	5,319	4,540
LIBRARY	6,500	4,771	6,700
FIRE STATION	2,500	2,196	2,500
OTHER PUBLIC FAC.	3,700	5,118	5,920
4195 CEMETERIES	15,000	9,040	15,000
CEM. CMTEE/MAINT.	15,000	9,040	15,000
4196 INSURANCE	28,000	21,652	25,000
WORKERS' COMP/PROP.	28,000	21,652	25,000
4197 REGIONAL PLAN.	1,400	1,389	1,400
REGIONAL PLANNING	1,400	1,389	1,400
4199 OTHER GOV.	6,000	3,041	6,000
REFUNDS	6,000	3,041	6,000

APPROPRIATIONS	1999 BUDGET	1999 ACTUAL	2000 PROPOSED
4210 POLICE	101,000	105,655	109,600
ADMINISTRATION	86,800	91,240	92,950
WORKSHOPS & TRAIN	2,000	1,365	2,000
SUPPORT SERVICES	12,200	13,050	14,650
4215 AMBULANCE	17,100	14,622	20,800
ADMINISTRATION	800	55	800
SUPPORT SERVICES	16,300	14,567	20,000
4220 FIRE	48,200	49,039	60,650
ADMINISTRATION	26,000	26,461	33,449
WORKSHOPS & TRAIN	5,200	1,386	5,200
SUPPORT SERVICES	17,000	21,192	22,001
4240 BUILDING INSPECT.	7,500	5,595	7,500
BUILDING INSPECTOR	7,500	5,595	7,500
4290 EMERGENCY MGMT.	4,300	4,271	16,235
ADMINISTRATION	4,300	4,271	16,235
4312 HIGHWAYS & ST.	132,000	126,555	152,000
PAVING & RECONSTR.	60,000	62,801	75,000
CLEAN & MAINT.	22,000	12,724	22,000
SNOW & ICE CONTROL	50,000	51,030	55,000
4316 STREET LIGHTING	1,200	1,030	1,200
LIGHTING	1,200	1,030	1,200
4323 SOLID WASTE COLL.	90,000	87,308	107,490
SOLID WASTE	89,500	86,388	106,490
HAZARDOUS WASTE	500	920	1,000
4414 PEST CONTROL	1,000	990	1,000
ANIMAL CONTROL	1,000	990	1,000
4415 AGENCIES/ HOSP	350	360	350
HEALTH OFFICER	350	360	350
4442 DIRECT ASSIST.	1,000	1,009	1,049
ADMINISTRATION	1,000	1,009	1,049
4445 VENDOR PYMTS.	2,000	207	1,951
VENDOR SERVICES	2,000	207	1,951
4520 PARKS & REC.	4,000	3,238	4,000
RECREATION COMM.	4,000	3,238	4,000
4550 LIBRARY	39,700	39,331	41,700
LIBRARY TRUSTEES	39,700	39,331	41,700
4583 PATRIOTIC PURP.	200	150	200
PATRIOTIC FUNCTIONS	200	150	200
4619 CONSERVATION	600	600	600
CONSERVATION COMM.	600	600	600
4723 TAN INTEREST	15,000	14,393	16,000
TAN PYMTS.	15,000	14,393	16,000

APPROPRIATIONS	1999 BUDGET	1999 ACTUAL	2000 PROPOSED
4902 MACH./VEH./EQUIP. BUDGET PYMTS.	13,750 13,750	13,391 13,391	0 0
4915 CAPITAL RESERVE WARRANT PYMTS.	0 0	0 0	0 0
SUB TOTAL	765,000	747,106	**870,000
Approved Warrant Articles	78,209	78,011	
TOTAL	843,209	825,117	

** Total does NOT include warrant articles

BUDGET - APPROVED 1999 & PROPOSED 2000 (Revenues)

REVENUES	1999 BUDGET	1999 ACTUAL	2000 PROPOSED
3120 TAXES			
LAND USE CHG/EXC TAX	2100	18,363	10,200
YIELD TAXES	500	6,509	0
INTEREST/PENALT.	20,000	14,492	10,000
3210 LIC./PERMIT/FEES			
BUSINESS	1,800	2,157	2,000
MOTOR VEHICLE	196,000	255,838	245,000
BUILDING PERMITS	7,000	5,311	7,000
OTHER	8,000	10,320	8,500
3300 FEDERAL GOVT.			
FEDERAL GOVT	38,500	24,152	6,000
3351 STATE			
SHARED REVENUE	34,000	12,612	12,000
HIGHWAY BL GRANT	26,500	26,517	28,200
FOREST LAND	100	51	100
OTHER STATE REV.	24,500	35,533	47,600
3401 SERVICE CHARGES			
INCOME FROM DEPT	13,000	9,895	15,000
3501 MISC. REVENUES			
INVEST. INTEREST	20,000	27,050	20,000
SALE OF TOWN PROP.	0	14,871	0
OTHER	10,500	41,275	13,400
3915 CAP. RES. FUND			
CAP. RES. FUND	0	294	0
TOTAL REVENUES	\$402,500	\$505,240	\$425,000

CEMETERY FINANCIAL REPORT

Beginning Balance - Jan. 1, 1999 **\$7,175.10**

Receipts:

Burial Fees (6)	\$900.00	
Grave Lot Sales (4)	2,650.00	
Nancy Reiss – Bench at Union	350.00	
Monuments & Markers	1,330.00	
Bank Interest	35.99	
Trustees of the Trust Funds	4,500.00	
Ferullo Taxes 1999*	0	
Miscellaneous – Estate of A. Saunders	6,503.14	
Total Receipts		\$16,269.13

Opening Balance + Receipts **\$23,444.23**

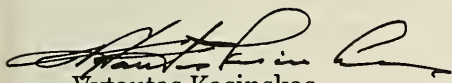
Payments:

Trustees of the Trust Funds	\$9,153.14	
Town of East Kingston	4,500.00	
Cemetery Improvements	2,597.20	
Monument Works, etc.	1,340.00	
Miscellaneous Expenditures	144.48	
Bank Charges	12.40	
Total Payments		\$17,747.22

Ending Balance - Dec. 31, 1999 **\$5,697.01**

*By agreement with the Board of Selectmen, 1999 taxes will be paid together with the 2000 assessment next year.

Respectfully,

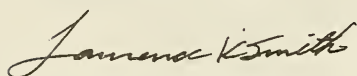

 Vytautas Kasinskas,
 Bookkeeper

CONSERVATION FUND

Year Ending December 31, 1999

BALANCE	January 1, 1999	\$4,714.22
Receipts	Land Use Change Tax	18,093.00
	Miscellaneous Donations	5.00
	Transfer from General Fund	54.58
	Interest	31.83
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$18,184.41
Expenditures	NH DES – Water Samples	220.00
	NH Tree Farm Program (Nameplates)	103.50
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	(323.50)
BALANCE	December 31, 1999	\$22,575.13

Respectfully,



Lawrence K. Smith,
Chairman

LIBRARY FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RECEIPTS

Receipts on Hand:	
Daily Saving Accounts	\$3,580.56
Checking Account	3,430.23
Town Funds Received	39,700.00
Interest in 1999	102.09
Books Sales	113.16
Conscience Box	189.08
Copier Fees	105.95
Library Cards	45.00
Humanities Grant	165.40
Donations Received	525.33
Total Receipts	\$47,956.80

EXPENDITURES

Adult Programs	134.68
Advertising	122.85
Books	6,681.33
Children Programs	437.78
Donations Expenditure	298.31
Education	575.00
Equipment	496.77
Humanities Grant Presentation	165.40
Library Supplies	730.38
Membership Dues	90.00
Mileage Reimbursement	31.00
Newspapers	98.25
Postage	136.68
Salaries Expenditure	25,991.16
Special Projects*	749.17
Subscriptions	426.35
Supplies	893.64
Telephones	1,030.96
Total Expenditures	(\$39,089.71)

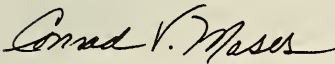
Balance on Hand **\$8,867.09**

Saving Accounts Balance: 12/1/99	4,182.54
Checking Account Balance: 12/1/99	4,315.74
Salaries Balance: 12/1/99	368.81

Closing Balance **\$8,867.09**

*Special Projects: Computer Checkout Scanner and Printer for the Library Automation System.

Respectfully,



Conrad V. Moses,
Treasurer

TAX COLLECTOR

We started 1999 off by being Y2K compliant, upgrading our tax collection program's software and upgrading the computer's hardware as well.

At the beginning of 1999, we had \$324,753.07 outstanding for 1998, 1997, and 1996 taxes. By year end this balance was decreased to \$68,336.75.

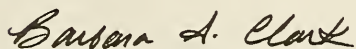
In June of 1999, twenty-seven tax liens were placed on properties for failure to pay 1998 taxes. By year end fifteen of these liens remained unredeemed.

In August one property was deeded to the town for failure to pay 1996 taxes before the deed date.

Our office computer experienced a hard drive failure in mid summer. We lost our entire tax collection program, which had to be reinstalled, and back-up files were used to bring us back on line. Luckily, this inconvenience occurred during our slow time for tax collection.

The biggest mystery of the year was the anticipated state education tax. The tax dilemma remained unanswered up until it was time to generate the tax bills. Because of the Supreme Court ruling, we were not able to include the state education tax on the first bill sent out. By having to generate two bills this fall, we anticipated confusion for the property owners and escrow companies. We tried to simplify it the best we could. We informed you of the two bills in our monthly newsletter as well as printing the bill information on the first tax bill itself. Nonetheless, we found ourselves at year end with considerable outstanding receivables for 1999, over \$220,000. (See uncollected taxes chart.) Our workload almost doubled because of time spent with generating two bills, the posting of dual payments, additional deposits, inquires, etc. Hopefully, we won't experience this again in the near future!

Respectfully,



Barbara A. Clark, Tax Collector

TAX COLLECTOR LEVY BALANCES

(MS-61)

CREDITS

<u>REMITTED TO TREASURER</u>	1999	1998
Property Taxes	2,456,541.50	186,018.62
Land Use Change	36,456.00	
Yield Taxes	6,509.40	
Interest	485.99	8,995.97
Overpayments	4,080.00	126.19
Bad Check Fee		25

ABATEMENTS MADE

Property Taxes	73,353.00
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UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR

Property Taxes	220,115.50
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TOTAL CREDITS	\$2,797,541.39	\$195,140.78
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DEBITS**UNCOLLECTED TAXES - BEGINNING OF YEAR**

Property Taxes	186,018.62
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TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR

Property Taxes	2,750,010.00
Land Use Change	36,456.00
Yield Taxes	6,509.40

OVERPAYMENT

Property Taxes	4,080.00	126.19
Collected Interest - Late Taxes	485.99	8,995.97

TOTAL DEBITS	\$2,797,541.39	\$195,140.78
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TAX YEAR

DEBITS	1998	1997	1996	Prior
Unredeemed Liens		38,595.04	15,913.91	12,431.60
Liens Executed During Yr	84,235.89			
Interest & Cost Collected	3,234.63	2,994.38	4,328.99	
Bad Check Fee	25.00	25.00		
TOTAL DEBITS	\$87,495.52	\$41,614.42	\$20,242.90	\$12,431.60

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER

Redemptions	37,005.10	9,227.89	12,288.41	
Interest & Cost Collected	3,234.63	2,994.38	4,328.99	
Bad Check Fee	25.00	25.00		
Adjustment to Tax Lien	10.39			
Liens Deeded to Town	4,185.50	4,065.30	3,625.50	
Unredeemed Liens Balance - End of Year	43,034.90	25,301.85	0.00	12,431.60
TOTAL CREDITS	\$87,495.52	#41,614.42	\$20,242.90	\$12,431.60

Respectfully,

*Barbara A. Clark*Barbara A. Clark,
Tax Collector

UNCOLLECTED TAXES

Taxes due December 3, 1999

MBL #	BAL- ANCE	INT. & PNLTY	DUE AS OF 12/31/99
14-03-14	4,687.00	43.15	4,730.15
10-03-05	4.31	.03	4.34
17-01-19	27.62	.08	27.70
10-05-06	14.00	.13	14.13
16-04-03	1,793.00	16.51	1,809.51
16-04-04	3,384.00	31.15	3,415.15
16-04-09	2,357.00	21.70	2,378.70
16-04-10	2,160.00	19.88	2,179.88
16-04-11	39.00	.36	39.36
10-02-07	536.00	4.93	540.93
10-01-07	1,805.00	16.62	1,821.62
15-04-01	1,396.32	5.05	1,401.37
4-2-2006	1,296.00	11.93	1,307.93
05-01-12	2.00	.02	2.02
08-01-17	343.00	3.16	346.16
10-02-11	6.62	.03	6.65
11-03-12	2,135.78	19.66	2,155.44
11-04-01	2,572.00	23.68	2,595.68
04-01-13	503.84	.17	504.01
10-02-16	2,177.00	20.04	2,197.04
07-02-02	10.90	.03	10.93
09-03-07	2,799.00	25.77	2,824.77
09-07-04	1,713.00	15.77	1,728.77
02-01-33	29.00	.27	29.27
11-02-14	1,248.00	11.49	1,259.49
4-2-4103	244.00	2.25	246.25
17-01-02	3,652.00	33.62	3,685.62
09-03-10	647.00	5.96	652.96
12-02-01	6.28	.04	6.32
4-2-4002	506.00	4.66	510.66
15-04-08	15.96	.09	16.05
13-03-21	3,668.00	33.77	3,701.77
13-01-02	1,801.00	16.58	1,817.58
10-05-03	57.00	.52	57.52
14-03-06	3,114.00	28.67	3,142.67
4-2-4004	405.00	3.73	408.73
06-02-04	3,618.00	33.31	3,651.31
09-06-05	3,803.00	35.01	3,838.01
16-03-12	605.00	5.57	610.57
07-03-56	3,334.00	30.69	3,364.69
03-02-04	3,191.00	29.37	3,220.37
09-04-07	4,455.00	41.01	4,496.01
11-02-16	512.00	4.71	516.71
11-02-17	2,542.00	23.40	2,565.40
12-01-01	94.00	.87	94.87
02-01-05	620.00	5.71	625.71
17-04-02	6.33	.05	6.38
10-06-01	2,956.00	27.21	2,983.21
10-06-02	265.00	2.44	267.44
9-7-11MH	206.00	1.90	207.90
14-01-09	1,712.00	15.76	1,727.76

MBL #	BAL- ANCE	INT. & PNLTY	DUE AS OF 12/31/99
14-02-01	4,573.00	42.10	4,615.10
15-04-02	849.00	7.82	856.82
04-02-03	2,513.00	23.13	2,536.13
10-01-04	1,946.00	17.91	1,963.91
10-06-06	5.22	0.00	5.22
17-01-05	3,347.00	30.81	3,377.81
4-2-4008	456.00	4.20	460.20
4-2-4011	291.00	2.68	293.68
13-03-15	2,091.00	19.25	2,110.25
13-03-16	1,200.00	11.05	1,211.05
02-01-23	592.00	5.45	597.45
07-01-05	4.42	.03	4.45
10-06-13	3,259.00	30.00	3,289.00
11-03-14	174.00	1.60	175.60
08-04-03	3,389.00	31.20	3,420.20
09-01-02	1,967.00	18.11	1,985.11
4-2-2021	2,160.00	19.88	2,179.88
4-2-2019	1,746.00	16.07	1,762.07
09-08-11	1,502.00	13.83	1,515.83
04-02-02	5.37	.04	5.41

Total Uncollected Taxes Due as
of December 3, 1999 \$108,118.64

Taxes Due December 10, 1999

MBL #	BAL- ANCE	INT. & PNLTY	DUE AS OF 12/31/99
14-03-14	1,883.00	13.00	1,896.00
10-03-05	419.00	2.89	421.89
06-01-12	1,278.00	8.82	1,286.82
17-01-19	1,775.00	12.25	1,787.25
10-04-12	1,236.00	8.53	1,244.53
10-05-06	6.00	.04	6.04
09-04-02	1,705.00	11.77	1,716.77
13-03-05	716.00	4.94	720.94
08-04-01	1,096.00	7.57	1,103.57
04-01-08	927.00	6.40	933.40
02-01-12	622.00	4.29	626.29
02-01-30	63.00	.43	63.43
16-04-03	720.00	4.97	724.97
16-04-04	1,359.00	9.38	1,368.38
16-04-09	947.00	6.54	953.54
16-04-10	867.00	5.99	872.99
16-04-11	16.00	.11	16.11
10-02-07	225.00	1.55	226.55
06-02-08	1,383.00	9.55	1,392.55
04-02-07	641.00	4.43	645.43
10-01-07	725.00	5.01	730.01
15-04-01	957.00	6.61	963.61
05-01-03	1,032.00	7.13	1,039.13
4-2-2006	521.00	3.60	524.60
11-01-04	782.00	5.40	787.40
05-01-12	1.00	.01	1.01
10-02-02	1,180.00	8.15	1,188.15

MBL #	BAL- ANCE	INT. & PNLTY	DUE AS OF 12/31/99	MBL #	BAL- ANCE	INT. & PNLTY	DUE AS OF 12/31/99
08-01-17	148.00	1.02	149.02	10-03-07	493.00	3.40	496.40
09-02-04	420.82	2.49	423.31	02-01-05	259.00	1.79	260.79
16-02-10	1,050.00	7.25	1,057.25	11-04-01	1,043.00	7.20	1,050.20
14-02-08	1,146.00	7.91	1,153.91	06-01-35	1,247.00	8.61	1,255.61
07-03-46	1,711.00	11.81	1,722.81	10-06-01	1,187.00	8.20	1,195.20
15-04-07	1,264.00	8.73	1,272.73	11-02-35	1,543.00	10.65	1,553.65
06-02-16	1,718.00	11.86	1,729.86	17-01-15	1,282.69	0.00	1,282.69
11-03-12	887.00	6.12	893.12	09-08-14	955.00	6.59	961.59
04-01-13	867.00	5.99	872.99	07-01-02	762.00	5.26	767.26
06-02-12	1,167.00	8.06	1,175.06	10-06-02	106.00	.73	106.73
10-02-16	874.00	6.03	880.03	12-03-12	1,777.00	12.27	1,789.27
12-03-16	1,601.00	11.05	1,612.05	09-07-11	1,389.00	9.59	1,398.59
09-03-07	1,165.00	8.04	1,173.04	9-7-11MH	93.00	.64	93.64
09-07-04	739.00	5.10	744.10	4-2-2012	793.00	5.47	798.47
08-01-11	790.00	5.45	795.45	16-02-05	1,358.00	9.38	1,367.38
07-03-33	1,207.00	8.33	1,215.33	02-06-06	712.00	4.92	716.92
02-01-33	63.00	.43	63.43	13-03-04	655.00	4.52	659.52
11-02-14	501.00	3.46	504.46	14-01-09	688.00	4.75	692.75
4-2-4103	98.00	.68	98.68	14-02-01	1,877.00	12.96	1,889.96
09-04-09	671.00	4.63	675.63	07-03-35	1,305.00	9.01	1,314.01
17-01-02	1,466.00	10.12	1,476.12	11-03-02	512.00	3.53	515.53
02-01-14	1,220.00	8.42	1,228.42	15-04-02	341.00	2.35	343.35
09-03-10	270.00	1.86	271.86	07-03-42	1,895.00	13.08	1,908.08
16-03-07	667.00	4.61	671.61	04-02-03	1,009.00	6.97	1,015.97
14-04-08	668.00	4.61	672.61	10-01-04	781.00	5.39	786.39
11-02-34	1,456.00	10.05	1,466.05	17-01-05	1,354.00	9.35	1,363.35
06-02-18	1,595.00	11.01	1,606.01	4-2-4008	193.00	1.33	194.33
4-2-2015	714.00	4.93	718.93	4-2-4011	157.00	1.08	158.08
4-2-4002	214.00	1.48	215.48	13-03-15	839.00	5.79	844.79
14-04-09	581.00	4.01	585.01	13-03-16	482.00	3.33	485.33
15-04-08	1,773.00	12.24	1,785.24	02-01-23	248.00	1.71	249.71
13-03-21	1,474.00	10.18	1,484.18	02-01-26	643.00	4.44	647.44
13-01-02	723.00	4.99	727.99	07-01-05	10.00	.07	10.07
10-05-03	33.00	.23	33.23	10-06-13	1,319.00	9.11	1,328.11
02-01-36	1,036.00	7.15	1,043.15	07-03-58	1,414.00	9.76	1,423.76
04-02-16	875.00	6.04	881.04	14-01-04	511.00	3.53	514.53
02-01-17	563.00	3.89	566.89	4-2-2003	692.00	4.78	696.78
14-03-06	1,250.00	8.63	1,258.63	06-01-09	942.00	6.50	948.50
4-2-4004	163.00	1.13	164.13	11-03-14	70.00	.48	70.48
12-03-18	1,863.00	12.86	1,875.86	08-04-03	1,361.00	9.40	1,370.40
09-06-05	1,527.00	10.54	1,537.54	09-06-01	1,375.00	9.49	1,384.49
06-02-04	1,453.00	10.03	1,463.03	09-01-02	790.00	5.45	795.45
12-03-17	1,634.00	11.28	1,645.28	14-01-06	578.00	3.99	581.99
16-03-12	243.00	1.68	244.68	16-03-06	843.00	5.82	848.82
02-01-22	509.00	3.51	512.51	4-2-2021	877.00	6.05	883.05
07-03-56	1,340.00	9.25	1,349.25	4-2-2019	701.00	4.84	705.84
03-02-04	1,282.00	8.85	1,290.85	04-01-14	1,032.00	7.13	1,039.13
02-01-15	539.00	3.72	542.72	09-08-11	604.00	4.17	608.17
09-02-07	210.00	1.45	211.45				
10-01-08	10.00	.07	10.07				
02-01-21	25.71	.14	25.85				
11-02-16	206.00	1.42	207.42				
11-02-17	1,021.00	7.05	1,028.05				
14-01-13	1,244.00	8.59	1,252.59				
04-01-01	816.00	5.63	821.63				
12-01-01	37.00	.26	37.26				

Total Uncollected Taxes Due
December 10, 1999 \$113,738.79

**Grand Total of
Uncollected Taxes as
of December 31, 1999 \$221,857.43**

TOWN CLERK REVENUES **January 1, 1999 to December 31, 1999**

The year 1999 was a very productive year in the office of the Town Clerk. We didn't seem to experience the lull during the summer months as we have in the past and the office was very busy throughout the year.

This past year was a new plate issuance year with all residents having to purchase the new designed motor vehicle plates. Customers didn't seem overly enthused with the new design, but there is always the anticipated conservation "moose" plate to look forward to.

We completed basically the same amounts of registrations this year as in the last, 2275. However, the revenues increased substantially by over \$31,000.

We registered 379 dogs this year. We had 11 births recorded, 6 deaths, and 8 marriages.

I attended the Seacoast Regional Meeting of the New Hampshire City and Town Clerk's Association in June as well as the association's annual conference in the fall.

Respectfully,

Barbara A. Clark
Barbara A. Clark, Town Clerk

MOTOR VEHICLE PERMITS

January	\$14,964.00
February	14,810.00
March	23,717.00
April	32,008.00
May	20,964.00
June	18,498.00
July	22,657.00
August	24,134.00
September	23,108.00
October	16,383.00
November	24,444.00
December	15,325.00

TOTAL	
MV REVENUES	\$251,012.00

OTHER REVENUES

Dog Licenses Issued	\$2,665.50
Dog Penalties	308.50
Titles	292.00
UCC's	642.74
Vital Statistic Cert.	266.00
Marriage Licenses	450.00
Bad Check Fees	75.00
Municipal Agent Fees	4,533.80
Business Filing Fees	74.88

TOTAL	
OTHER REVENUES	\$9,308.42

REMITTANCE	
TO TREASURER	\$260,320.42

TREASURER

Based On the 1999 audit recently performed, East Kingston has fared very well. We continue working with Citizens Bank during the year for the tax anticipation notes (TAN), which take us through until tax time.

With the Claremont Law Suit this year, there were concerns until we were able to send out the second tax bill in December in time to cover our obligations by year-end. I am looking forward to another year working with the town of East Kingston.

TREASURER'S USE OF FUNDS STATEMENT

BALANCE ON HAND JANUARY 1, 1999 **\$1,279,572.47**

SELECTMEN - RECEIPTS

Home Occupation Permits	1,438.50
Building Permits-New Construction	2,376.65
Build. Permits-Home Improvements	2,934.10
Application Fees-Subdivision	2,229.00
Application Fees-Site Plan Review	1,287.50
Application Fees-ZBA Hearing	798.50
Application Fees-Septic Disposal	775.00
Application Fees-Current Use	90.00
Special Fees-Perc Tests	1,085.00
Special Permits-Driveway	115.00
Special Permits-Pistol	250.00
Cops Grant	24,151.84
State-Shared Revenue	12,612.46
State-Highway Grant	26,517.20
State-Forest Reimbursement	51.09
State-Emergency Man. Reimbursement	2,956.50
State-Room & Tax Share	31,168.76
State-Railroad Tax Reimbursement	1,408.18
Dept.-Cemetery Committee Payment	4,500.00
Dept.-Cable Franchise Fee	5,395.24
Town Sales-Deeded Property	14,870.80
Rental of Town Property-Town Hall	744.00
Insurance Premium-Worker's Comp.	7,916.64
Town Sales-Photocopies	660.25
Town Sales-Ordinances	320.00
Town Sales-Checklist	105.00
Town Sales-Miscellaneous	22.00
Fine & Forfeitures-Parking Fines	20.00
Fine & Forfeitures-Court Returned Fines	793.80
Refunds-Miscellaneous General	5,172.17
Miscellaneous-Other Misc. Revenues	21,373.02
Miscellaneous Insurance	276.08

TOTAL SELECTMEN'S RECEIPTS

\$174,414.28

TOWN CLERK - RECEIPTS

Business Filing Fees & UCC Filing	717.62
Motor Vehicle Registration	251,012.00
Motor Vehicle Stickers	4,533.80
Motor Vehicle Titles	292.00
Dog Licenses	2,665.50
Dog Licenses Late Fees	308.50
Marriage Licenses	450.00
Statistic Certificates	266.00
Bad Check Fees	75.00

TOTAL TOWN CLERK RECEIPTS**\$260,320.42****TAX COLLECTOR - RECEIPTS**

Property Tax This Year	2,456,641.50
Property Tax Last Year Pre Lien	186,018.62
Property Tax Last Year Post Lien	37,005.10
Property Tax Two Years Past	9,227.89
Property Tax Three Years Past	12,288.41
Land Use Tax This Year	36,456.00
Yield Tax This Year	6,509.40
Property Tax Interest This Year	367.15
Property Tax Interest Last Year Pre Lien	3,448.08
Property Tax Interest Last Year Post Lien	3,234.63
Property Tax Interest Two Year Past	2,994.38
Property Tax Interest Three Year Past	4,328.99
Land Use Interest This Year	28.58
Yield Tax Interest This Year	90.26
At Lien Interest & Penalty Interest & Fees	5,547.89
Overpayment Tax This Year	3,980.00
Overpayment Tax Last Year	126.19
Bad Check Fees	50.00

TOTAL TAX COLLECTOR'S RECEIPTS**\$2,768,343.07****TREASURER - RECEIPTS**

Tax Anticipation Notes - Citizen Bank	1,000,000.00
Checking Account Interest	27,049.70

TOTAL TREASURER RECEIPTS**\$1,027,049.70****TOTAL RECEIPTS DURING FISCAL YEAR****\$5,509,699.94****LESS PAYMENTS**

Payment TAN + Interest	(1,014,393.33)
1999 Expenses	(3,044,609.81)

LESS TOTAL PAYMENTS**(4,059,003.14)****BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 1999****\$1,450,696.80**

Respectfully,



Katherine A. Hankin, Treasurer

INVENTORY OF VALUATION

LAND

Total Land	6,149.67 acres	\$27,339,753
(less) Non-Taxable Land	242.21 acres	<u>(1,126,300)</u>
Total Taxable Land	5,907.46 acres	\$26,213,453

BUILDINGS

Residential	55,648,900
Manufactured Housing	1,668,800
Commercial	<u>1,533,000</u>
Total Taxable Buildings	\$58,851,700

PUBLIC UTILITIES

Gas	576,000
Electric	2,157,100
Pipeline (new 1999)	<u>6,003,700</u>
Total Public Utilities	\$8,736,800
Total Valuation Before Exemptions	\$93,801,953

LESS EXEMPTIONS

Blind (2)	\$ (30,000)
Elderly (2)	(50,000)
Totally Disabled	<u>(78,700)</u>
Total Less Exemptions	\$ 158,700
Total Net Valuation	\$93,643,253

NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX RATE IS COMPUTED

County, Town & Local Education **\$93,643,253**

LOCAL TAX RATE COMPUTATION

\$1,967,045 (Property Taxes to be raised) ÷ **\$93,643,253** = **.02101**
\$21.01

STATE TAX RATE COMPUTATION

(Net valuation) **\$93,643,253** less (public utilities) **\$8,736,800** =
\$84,906,453 of which the state tax rate is computed.

\$6.60 per \$1,000 equalized = **\$8.44**

Net Assessed Valuation

State Education Tax	\$84,906,453	\$8.44	\$717,396
All Other Taxes	93,643,253	<u>21.01</u>	<u>1,967,045</u>
		\$29.45	\$2,684,441

TAX RATE BREAKDOWN

The tax rate is based on the total amount due to cover county, town, and school operating costs. The county portion is derived from the percentage the town is liable for of the 37 Rockingham County towns that support the county nursing home, jail, sheriff's department, etc. The town portion is derived from the operating budget and warrant articles approved at Town Meeting each year, which includes the support of the police, fire, and highway departments, etc. The school portion covers the support of grade levels K-12.

YEAR	COUNTY	TOWN	SCHOOL	TOTAL TAX RATE	EQUALIZED VALUE
1999	1.25	5.33	28.87	\$29.45	
1998	1.35	3.79	26.76	\$31.90	78%
1997	1.51	5.36	23.79	\$30.66	86%
1996	1.50	5.37	20.80	\$27.67	85%
1995	1.38	4.50	21.54	\$27.42	88%
1994	1.28	5.57	20.57	\$27.42	94%
1993	1.25	4.21	20.96	\$26.42	97%
1992	1.27	3.69	20.06	\$25.02	100%
1991	1.86	4.99	37.58	\$25.02	44%
1990	1.89	4.99	37.90	\$40.78	41%

Annually, the Department of Revenue Administration (DRA) is charged with equalizing the valuation of property in towns throughout the State. A sales report is completed by the Town's Assessing Officer (Selectmen) and submitted to DRA. The report reflects detailed information regarding each sale or purchase of property in town based on a twelve-month period, October – October. Then, DRA determines the average level of assessment for land and buildings as of April 1st of each year. The property assessment is then equalized by taking the Town's value and dividing it by the current equalized percentage to arrive at today's fair market value. Example: \$100,000 home ÷ 78% equalized value = \$128,200 fair market value. The 1999 equalized value will be set by DRA and made available to the town after April 2000. Please note that the town conducted a full revaluation in 1992. A town normally, on average, performs a revaluation every ten years; therefore, East Kingston is looking towards its next revaluation in 2002.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

As of December 31, 1999

MBL#	PROPERTY	ITEMS	VALUE
09-06-04	Town Offices	Land & Building	274,500
09-07-03	Town Hall/Police/EOC	Land & Building	269,800
09-05-01	Public Library	Land & Building	77,100
14-04-06	Elementary School	Land & Building	959,200
14-04-07	Cole House	Land & Building	62,300
09-08-13	Foss-Wasson Field	5.20 acres	39,000
06-01-36	Recreation Land	5.00 acres	38,200
07-03-60	Conservation Land	31.00 acres	10,600
09-08-23	Parsonage Land	11.30 acres	29,000
09-08-21	Hillside Cemetery	5.40 acres	53,700
09-08-02	Oakhill Cemetery	.87 acres	31,200
14-04-03	Union Cemetery	5.00 acres	40,500
16-02-12	Giles Road Bridge		72,000
02-04-05	B&M Railroad Land	3.50 acres	28,900
02-06-13	B&M Railroad Land	1.30 acres	26,600
08-04-06	B&M Railroad X-ing	3.00 acres	25,300
07-03-14	Corbett Land	10.00 acres	800
11-03-05	Berry Land	2.60 acres	9,200
02-07-05	Janvrin Land	1.50 acres	23,800
11-02-04	Welch Land	11.80 acres	28,000
02-04-04	Christ Church Land	9.10 acres	90,500
03-01-06	Frascone Land	.03 acres	500
07-03-64	Levi Bartlett Land	1.00 acres	400
11-02-12	Clement Lane Land	4.30 acres	26,100
10-05-07	Kennard Land	1.70 acres	22,400
10-05-08	Kennard Land	2.50 acres	25,800
03-02-06	Daniel West Land	2.80 acres	4,200
02-01-20	McGaffigan Land	.17 acres	4,700
06-01-43	Giles Road Rear (current use)	43.9 acres	659
02-01-34	34 Rowell Road	.96 acres	8,500
02-01-37	8 Rowell Cove Road	1.2 acres	7,400
Total Acreage owned by Town		165.13 acres	\$2,290,859

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

The East Kingston Trust Funds consist of money put aside for various purposes including, for example, the maintenance of town cemeteries and buildings, the expansion of school buildings and the future purchase of police and fire equipment.

As of December 31, 1999, the balance of all the trust funds including principal and income totaled \$626,712.68. More than half of this total includes money being held to fund the expansion of the East Kingston Elementary School. The remainder consists of various Capital Funds listed accordingly to their purpose in the following report, as well as, our Common Trust Funds.

Common Trust Funds represent money that is kept separate for recordkeeping purposes but is combined or commingled for investment purposes. These funds consist of money received over the years, primarily from individuals, for the purpose of maintaining cemetery lots or to support the school. The income earned on these investments is available to be distributed for the purpose intended but the principal (basically the amount contributed) is not used.

All of the Trust Funds are managed through Citizens Bank Trust Division. All Capital Reserve Funds are invested separately in a money market account paying current interest rates in the 5½ % range. For the most part, these funds need to be maintained in a conservative investment that can be easily cashed in when the funds are needed.

The Common Trust Funds can be invested a little differently because the principal portion will be held for a long time. As of December 31, 1999, the balance of Common Trust Funds totaled \$144,342.84. Of this total, roughly \$12,500 was invested in mutual funds (stocks), \$91,000 was invested in bonds or bond mutual funds, and \$40,000 was invested in a money market account.

By investing a portion of these funds in bonds and stocks, we are able to earn slightly more income without adding very much risk.

Respectfully,
J. Roby Day, Jr.
Vytautas Kasinskas
Charles Walker

Trustees of the Trust Funds

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

1999 PRINCIPAL BALANCES

HOW INVESTED	PURPOSE	BEGINNING BALANCE	ADDITIONS	GAIN/SALES	LOSS/SALES	YEAR-END BALANCES
Common	Cemetery	\$97,550.57	\$2,400.00	\$36.33	0.00	\$99,986.90
Common	School	22,029.00	0.00	8.20	0.00	22,037.20
TOTAL COMMON TRUST FUNDS		\$119,579.57	\$2,400.00	\$44.53	\$0.00	\$122,024.10

CAPITAL RESERVES FUNDS

CREATED	NAME	BEGINNING BALANCE	ADDITIONS	EXPENDED	YEAR-END BALANCES
1988	Library	\$6,875.04	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,875.04
1993	Building Preservation	\$12,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,000.00
1993	School Tuition Reserve	\$93,832.00	\$0.00	\$98,832.00	\$0.00
1993	Revaluation Fund-2	\$24,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$28,000.00
1994	Rescue Vehicle	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
1994	Elementary School	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
1997	Library Cap. Res. Fund	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00
1998	School Bld. Expansion	\$200,000.00	\$419,193.19	284,600.00	\$334,593.19
1999	Fire Apparatus	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00

1999 COMMON TRUST INCOME & EXPENSES

INCOME BALANCE-JAN. 1, 1999	\$9,016.28
Interest on Savings & Gov. Obligations	7,017.24
Common Stock Dividends	3,997.96
TOTAL INCOME	\$20,031.48
Citizen's Bank Fees	(750.00)
East Kingston School District	(1,615.88)
East Kingston Cemetery Trustees	(4,500.00)
TOTAL EXPENSE	(6,865.88)
INCOME BALANCE	\$13,165.60

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

1999 INCOME BALANCES

NAME OF FUND	BEGINNING BALANCE	CURRENT INCOME	EXPENDED	TRUST MGMT. FEES	YEAR-END BALANCES
Common - Cemetery	\$7,369.11	\$8,985.98	\$4,500.00	\$611.83	\$11,243.25
Common - School	1,647.17	2,029.22	1,615.88	138.17	1,922.35
TOTAL	\$9,016.28	\$11,015.20	\$6,115.88	\$750.00	\$13,165.60
<u>CAPITAL RESERVES</u>					
Library	\$937.31	\$478.71	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,416.02
Building Preservation	\$3,601.80	\$858.69	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,460.49
School Tuition Reserve	\$21,147.04	\$4,214.15	\$25,361.19	\$0.00	\$0.00
Revaluation Fund-- 2	\$4,153.26	\$1,564.91	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,718.17
Rescue Vehicle	\$290.39	\$4.62	\$295.01	\$0.00	\$0.00
Elementary School	\$115.60	\$61.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$177.00
Library Capital Reserve Fund	\$462.40	\$546.38	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,008.78
School Building Expansion	\$4,277.08	\$17,711.37	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$21,988.45
Fire Apparatus Capital Reserve	\$0.00	\$132.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$132.70
CAPITAL RESERVE TOTALS	&34,984.88	\$25,572.93	(\$25,656.20)	\$0.00	\$34,901.61

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

1999 BALANCE STATEMENT

<u>ACCOUNT/FUND</u>	<u>PRINCIPAL</u>	<u>INTEREST EARNED</u>	<u>TOTAL YEAR TO DATE</u>
Cemetery	\$99,986.90	\$11,243.25	\$111,230.15
School	\$22,037.20	\$1,922.35	\$23,959.55
Library	\$6,875.04	\$1,416.02	\$8,291.06
Building Preservation	\$12,000.00	\$4,460.49	\$16,460.49
School Tuition Reserve	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Revaluation Fund- 2	\$28,000.00	\$5,718.17	\$33,718.17
Rescue Vehicle	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Elementary School	\$1,000.00	\$177.00	\$1,177.00
Library Capital Reserve Fund	\$15,000.00	\$1,008.78	\$16,008.78
School Building Expansion	\$334,593.19	\$21,988.45	\$356,581.64
Fire Apparatus Cap. Reserve	\$50,000.00	\$132.70	\$50,132.70
	SUBTOTAL		\$617,559.54
	Other investment income		\$9153.14
	GRAND TOTAL OF ALL TRUST FUNDS		\$626,712.68

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN (CIP)

Projects By Department	Tax Impact	Year 1 1998	Year 2 1999	Year 3 2000	Year 4 2001	Year 5 2002	Year 6 2003	6-YR. Total
FIRE & RESCUE								
Replace Ambulance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Purchase Hose	\$10,000		\$5,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$1,000		\$10,000
Install 6 Dry Hydrants	\$15,000	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500		\$2,500	\$15,000
Upgrade Base Radio	\$10,000		\$10,000					\$10,000
Replace Engine 3	250,000	40,000	60,000	80,000	70,000			250,000
TOTAL	285,000	42,500	77,500	84,500	74,500	3,500	2,500	285,000
ROAD AGENT								
Recon Giles/E Sanborn	\$60,000	\$60,000						\$60,000
recon Giles/pv George	\$60,000		\$60,000					\$60,000
Finish Giles & Joslin	\$75,000			\$75,000				\$75,000
Ovrly South/pv Terrace	\$35,000				\$35,000			\$35,000
Begin recon WSanborn	\$60,000				\$60,000			\$60,000
Cont recon Sanborn	\$75,000					\$75,000		\$75,000
OvrlyStumpfield/Eaton	\$60,000						\$60,000	\$60,000
TOTAL	425,000	60,000	60,000	75,000	95,000	75,000	60,000	425,000
FLUAC								
Purchase Property for Town Center	265,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	150,000

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN (CIP)

Projects By Department	Tax Impact	Year 1 1998	Year 2 1999	Year 3 2000	Year 4 2001	Year 5 2002	Year 6 2003	6-YR. Total
CAPITAL EXPENSES	975,000	127,500	162,500	184,500	194,500	103,500	87,500	860,000
Elementary School Addition (Bond)	282,925	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	180,000
TOTAL	1,257,925	157,500	192,500	214,500	224,500	133,500	117,500	1,040,000
Revenue Available to Fund New Capital		157,499	194,721	232,296	289,004	337,527	391,636	267,114
Forecast Valuation		88,404,114	91,445,371	94,484,629	97,523,886	100,563,144	103,602,401	96,004,258
Tax Rate for Capital Projects/per \$1,000		\$1.78	\$2.11	\$2.27	\$2.30	\$1.33	\$1.13	\$1.82
TOTAL TAX RATE		\$30.63	\$31.54	\$32.46	\$33.37	\$34.28	\$35.19	\$32.91
Municipal Tax Rate/per \$1,000		\$5.21	\$5.36	\$5.52	\$5.67	\$5.83	\$5.98	
Capital Portion of Tax Rate		34.2%	39.3%	41.1%	40.6%	22.8%	19.0%	32.8%

NOTE: Municipal Tax Rate was calculated at 17% of the total rate (the average over the last six years).

1999 EAST KINGSTON BIRTH RECORD

D.O.B.	CHILD'S NAME	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S NAME	PLACE / BIRTH
01/18/99	Jillian Pauline Jacques	Michael Jacques	Pauline Jacques	Exeter, NH
03/02/99	Corbin James Cashman	Christopher Cashman	Lori Cashman	Exeter, NH
03/05/99	Erica Rose Moore	Keith Moore	Catherine Moore	Newburyport, MA
04/14/99	Hunter McCartney Nash	Brian Nash	Lisa Roberto	Exeter, NH
06/01/99	Austin Tanner Jordan Abbott	Stephen Abbott	Carole Abbott	Exeter, NH
06/28/99	Jazmine Nicole Gulezian	Philip Gulezian	Lisa Gulezian	Exeter, NH
06/30/99	Heather Marie Urwick	Richard Urwick	Julie Urwick	Exeter, NH
07/06/99	Moriah Barr	Glenn Barr	Dorianne Barr	Exeter, NH
09/21/99	Morgan Joseph Palmer	Stuart Palmer	Jacqueline Palmer	Exeter, NH
11/28/99	Zachary Robert Young	Dale Young	Deborah Young	Exeter, NH
12/23/99	Matthew Heinrich Szuba	Scott Szuba	Simone Szuba	Exeter, NH

1999 EAST KINGSTON DEATH REPORT

D.O.D.	DECEDENT'S NAME	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN	PLACE / DEATH
05/25/99	William J. Devanna	William Devanna	Belle Caswell	Portsmouth, NH
06/23/99	Linda B. Trickey-Reardon	Leslie Trickey	Arlene Getchell	East Kingston, NH
07/26/99	Mark R. Kaulback	Robert Kaulback	Lorraine Frechette	East Kingston, NH
09/15/99	Theresa M. Collette	Arthur Deneau	Sadie Fortin	East Kingston, NH
10/01/99	Honora Mower	Walter Solak	Delia Gauthier	Exeter, NH
11/19/99	Ralph L. Barton	Carroll Barton	Mary Herward	East Kingston, NH

1999 EAST KINGSTON MARRIAGE REPORT

DATE	GROOM'S NAME	RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME	RESIDENCE
05/14/99	Quin J. DaGraca	East Kingston, NH	Ruth E. Durgin	East Kingston, NH
07/10/99	Frans H. Soderlund	East Kingston, NH	Linda J. Salvatore	Oxford, MA
07/10/99	Bradley W. Poole	East Kingston, NH	Naomi J. Bodwell	East Kingston, NH
09/11/99	Kerry R. Tull	East Kingston, NH	Dyana J. Crahan	East Kingston, NH
10/09/99	Wayne R. Day	East Kingston, NH	Michaelle A. Abele	East Kingston, NH
10/28/99	Brian J. Wilson	East Kingston, NH	Linda A. Wilson	East Kingston, NH
11/13/99	Victor R. Reyes	Santo Domingo, DR	Jessica L. Maxwell	East Kingston, NH
11/14/99	Stephen A. Koukias	East Kingston, NH	Robin M. Coughlin	East Kingston, NH
12/18/99	Elmer L. Bowley	Manchester, NH	Janet L. Morrill	East Kingston, NH

Inhabitants of East Kingston

The Selectmen wish to take this opportunity to remind you that this year's Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 14th, at 7:00PM at the Elementary School on Andrews Lane. The polls are open at the School between 8:00AM and 7:00PM. We thought that you might enjoy reading a little history of the Town Meeting form of government of which we are a part. So, let us begin with the history and then move on to more relevant issues before us.

History (excerpts from New Hampshire Practice, Local Government Law)

The New England town meeting has been in existence for more than 350 years. Its origins were in the Mayflower Compact, although it was the Puritans, not the Pilgrims, who most profoundly influenced the town meeting. In New Hampshire, the development of the town meeting was further influenced by the fact that in 1641 the towns existing in the state were joined to Massachusetts Bay. Towns which had been settled in the Bay Colonies had been advised to establish a village as the focal point of their town, and thus be under the watchful eyes of ministers and elders and within easy walking distance to the meeting house, school and parsonage. In part, the first code of laws governing the town meeting stated: "Every man whether inhabitant or foreigner, free or not free shall have liberty to come to any public court, council or town meeting, and either by speech or writing to move any lawful, seasonable, and material question, or to present any necessary motion, complaint, petition, bill or information, whereof that meeting had proper cognizance, so it be done in convenient time, due order, and respective manner." Town meetings have always had two distinct functions: (1) the election of town officers, and (2) the conduct of the town's business. The traditional time for holding the town meeting is the second Tuesday of March when winter's grip is hopefully loosening and the mud season has yet to begin.

The Tax Rate in Retrospect

The 1999 tax rate as calculated by the Department of Revenue Administration was \$29.45 made up of the Town (\$5.33), County (\$1.25) and Public Schools of (\$22.87). Public Schools include our elementary school (\$11.70) and the cooperative school district of (\$11.17). As you know, with 1999 came the Claremont decision and the over-used and under-defined term "adequacy". "Adequacy" is the hypothetical metric created by the State Board of Education, supported by the State Legislature, and approved by the Governor, which led to the enactment of a statewide property tax of \$6.60 per thousand. Since our property values represent only 78% of true market values, our state property tax assessment was in fact \$8.44 per thousand. Without going into all of the detail, the end result for East Kingston was a net total tax reduction of \$3.89 per thousand. That's the good news. The bad news is that 29 New Hampshire towns have petitioned the State Supreme court to strike down the new statewide property tax based in part on the non-uniform means of setting property values. In brief, the result had a favorable affect on our 1999 tax bills but what the future holds is very unclear. Other influencing factors included an 8.9% rise in taxable property values from \$86 to 94 million, Revenue was up 6% and expenses came in under budget by 2.3%.

The Tax Rate for 2000

If the expense and revenue budgets \$870,000 and \$425,000 respectively, and all moneyed warrant articles (\$77,698) approved, we can expect the town tax rate to increase by 25 cents per thousand. Since the revenue budget is on the conservative side, a lower rate of increase is possible. All this assumes that we experience no extraordinary and/or unplanned events during the year.

2000 Warrant Articles

Normally the warrant consists of the Income and Expense budgets, ballot articles and other articles representing those proposed by the Board of Selectmen and by those petitioned by 25 or more electors of the town. This year is no exception. The following is a summary of where the action is:

Ballot Articles

- Article 1 Election of Town Officers
- Articles 2 – 7 Planning Board articles (refer to your Town Report)
The Planning Board recommends approval of Articles 2 – 7.
- Article 8 A citizen petition article to restrict hours of operation in the
Light Industrial District.
The Planning Board recommends a NO vote on Article 8.

Town Meeting Articles

- Article 9  The Town budget for the ensuing year. Expense budget of \$870,000 and Revenue budget of \$425,000. Approval is expected to increase the town tax rate from \$5.33 to \$5.58 or 25 cents per thousand dollars of taxable property.
The Selectmen recommend approval of Article 9 by a vote of 3 – 0.
- Articles 10 – 11  Permits the Selectmen to accept gifts on behalf of and for the town. These articles are submitted every year.
The Selectmen recommend approval of Articles 10 - 11 by a vote of 3 – 0.
- Article 12  The second year of a three-year lease of the 1999 police cruiser. (\$7,000).
The Selectmen recommend approval of Article 12 by a vote of 3 – 0.
- Article 13  The fire department is in desperate need of replacing the 1955 fire truck, engine 3. The requested \$55,000 is in the Capital Improvements Plan and represents payment two of the four-payment plan totaling \$250,000.
The Selectmen recommend approval of Article 13 by a vote of 3 – 0.

Article 14



The State requires the town to conduct a complete property revaluation at least every 10 years. We expect to undertake this effort in 2002. We presently have approximately \$34,000 of the estimated \$48,000 project. (\$4,000)
The Selectmen recommend approval of Article 14 by a vote of 3 – 0.

Article 15



Permission to discontinue the westerly side of Old Route 108 near the Chuck Woodlands property. That section of the road was originally laid out in 1745 and was subsequently replaced by the State in 1925. In 1937, the easterly part of the old road was discontinued. If approved, the discontinued portion would revert back to abutters as determined by State law.

The Selectmen recommend approval of Article 15 by a vote of 3 – 0.

Article 16



Town resolution to the State requesting it to establish and fund a permanent public/private partnership for the voluntary conservation of natural, cultural and historic State resources. Proposed by the Conservation Commission and recommended by the Selectmen by a 3 – 0 vote.

Article 17



The Conservation Commission is requesting the town to authorize the Selectmen to convey a conservation easement to the Rockingham County Conservation District. Parcels requested are (1) The Parsonage land abutting the Hillside Cemetery (approximately 11 acres), (2) The Frank Welch land located on Clement Lane (approximately 12 acres) and (3) The former Ruth Ladd property located off Powwow River Road at the railroad tracks. These easements would be granted forever and would apply to the land regardless of who may own it in the future. Worse, if approved, it can never be rescinded. Presently, the town is already experiencing a serious shortage of space in which to expand its facilities including the cemeteries, the Police and Fire Stations and the Library. We believe that until we understand more clearly what our growth options are; the passage of this article would be imprudent. The Cemetery Trustees and the Selectmen recommend a No vote on this article 3 – 0.

Article 18



Library Building Capital Reserve Fund. This fund was established in 1997 for purposes of building an expansion to the library and to receive further appropriations for that purpose. (\$5,000)

The Selectmen recommend approval of Article 18 by a vote of 3 – 0.

Social Services Articles

Article 19



Richie McFarland Children's Center. (\$825) Proposed by Clarke R. Chandler.

The Selectmen recommend approval of Article 19 by a vote of 3 – 0.

Article 20



Rockingham Nutrition & Meals on Wheels Program. (\$342) Proposed by Edna M. Walsh.

The Selectmen recommend approval of Article 20 by a vote of 2 – 0 with 1 abstention.

Article 21



Seacoast Hospice. (\$850) Proposed by Andrew Berridge.

The Selectmen recommend approval of Article 21 by a vote of 3 – 0.

Article 22



Rockingham Visiting Nurse Association. (\$2,274) Proposed by Richard J. Carbone.

The Selectmen recommend approval of Article 22 by a vote of 3 – 0.

Article 23



Rockingham Community Action. (\$1,097) Proposed by Elena Poelaert.

The Selectmen recommend approval of Article 23 by a vote of 3 – 0.

Article 24



New Outlook, Inc. (\$500) Proposed by Andrew Berridge.

The Selectmen recommend approval of Article 24 by a vote of 2 – 1.

Article 25



Seacoast Big Brother/Big Sister. (\$810) Proposed by John F. Melanson.

The Selectmen recommend approval of Article 25 by a vote of 3 – 0.

Don't forget to vote and attend Town Meeting on March 14th. If you need a ride, contact the town office for assistance at 642-8406. Your vote counts.

Sincerely,

Donald C. Andolina, Chairman

John L. Fillio

Raymond R. Donald

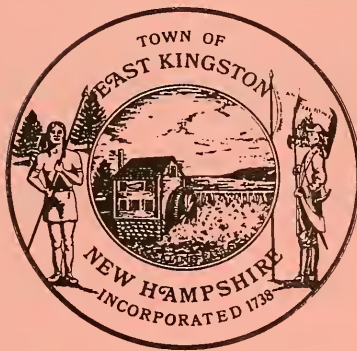
Board of Selectmen

**TOWN OF
EAST KINGSTON**

**BUDGET
AND
WARRANT**

FOR THE YEAR

2000



The State of New Hampshire

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of East Kingston in the [L.S.] County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the East Kingston Elementary School (located at 5 Andrews Lane) in said Town, East Kingston, on Tuesday, the Fourteenth Day of March, at 8:00 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Given under our hands and seal, this 14 day of February, in the year of our Lord two thousand (2000).

James C. Andolina
.....
John L. Filler
.....
Edward D. Dault
.....

Selectmen
of
East Kingston

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397



BUDGET OF THE TOWN/CITY

OF: East Kingston

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2000 to December 31, 2000

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the above address.

DATE: 2/14/2000

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

Please sign in ink.

Suzanne C. Andolina
John L. Filler
Raymond C. Donald

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

			XXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		54,300	56,022	58,985	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics		13,900	11,622	20,700	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		42,700	45,229	47,650	
4152	Revaluation of Property		10,000	8,928	10,000	
4153	Legal Expense		20,000	34,433	30,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		33,500	32,409	40,140	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		18,400	12,054	21,700	
4194	General Government Buildings		42,900	43,543	51,100	
4195	Cemeteries		15,000	9,040	15,000	
4196	Insurance		28,000	21,652	25,000	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.		1,400	1,389	1,400	
4199	Other General Government		6,000	3,041	6,000	

PUBLIC SAFETY

			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police		101,000	105,654	109,600	
4215-4219	Ambulance		17,100	14,623	20,800	
4220-4229	Fire		48,200	49,039	60,650	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		7,500	5,595	7,500	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		4,300	4,271	16,235	
4299	Other (Including Communications)					

AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER

			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations					

HIGHWAYS & STREETS

			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration					
4312	Highways & Streets		132,000	126,555	152,000	
4313	Bridges					
4316	Street Lighting		1,200	1,030	1,200	
4319	Other					

SANITATION

			XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration					
4323	Solid Waste Collection		90,000	87,308	107,490	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal					
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up					

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SANITATION cont. XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX						
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other					
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX						
4331	Administration					
4332	Water Services					
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other					
ELECTRIC XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX						
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation					
4353	Purchase Costs					
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance					
4359	Other Electric Costs					
HEALTH XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX						
4411	Administration					
4414	Pest Control		1,000	990	1,000	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other		350	360	350	
WELFARE XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX						
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		1,000	1,009	1,049	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments					
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other		2,000	207	1,951	
CULTURE & RECREATION XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX						
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		4,000	3,238	4,000	
4550-4559	Library		39,700	39,331	41,700	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		200	150	200	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation					
CONSERVATION XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX						
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources					
4619	Other Conservation		600	600	600	
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING					
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
DEBT SERVICE XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX						
4711	Princ. - Long Term Bonds & Notes					
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes					
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		15,000	14,393	16,000	

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DEBT SERVICE cont.		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4790-4799	Other Debt Service				
CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land				
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment		13,750	13,391	0
4903	Buildings				
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.				
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund				
4913	To Capital Projects Fund				
4914	To Enterprise Fund				
	Sewer-				
	Water-				
	Electric-				
	Airport-				
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund				
4916	To Exp. Tr. Fund-except #4917				
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds				
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds				
4919	To Agency Funds				
SUBTOTAL 1			765,000	747,106	870,000

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount	Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount

"SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES"

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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	Cap. Res.-Revaluation	17	4,000	4,000	4,000	WA 14
	Cap. Res.-Library	24	5,000	5,000	5,000	WA 18
	Police Cruiser	12	6,820	6,819	0	
	Police Cruiser	13	7,460	7,263	7,000	WA 12
	Fire Apparatus	16	50,000	50,000	55,000	WA 13
	SUBTOTAL 2 RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	71,000	XXXXXXXXXX

"INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES"

Individual warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Individual warrant articles might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	WARR. ART.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
4444	Rock. Comm. Action	29	688	688	1,097	WA 23
	Rockingham VNA	28	2,274	2,274	2,274	WA 22
	Seacoast Hospice	27	850	850	850	WA 21
	Rock. Nutrition/Meals	26	342	342	342	WA 20
	Richie McFarland Cntr.	25	275	275	825	WA 19
	NewOutlook Teen Cntr.	30	500	500	500	WA 24
	Big Brother/Big Sister		0	0	810	WA 25
	SUBTOTAL 3 RECOMMENDED		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	6,698	XXXXXXXXXX

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUES ENSUING YEAR
TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes		2,100	18,363	10,000
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		500	6,509	0
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		20,000	14,492	10,000
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)				200
	Excavation Activity Tax				
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		1,800	2,156	2,000
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		196,000	255,838	245,000
3230	Building Permits		7,000	5,311	7,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		8,000	10,320	8,500
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		38,500	24,152	6,000
FROM STATE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		34,000	12,612	12,000
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		19,000	31,169	30,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		26,500	26,517	28,200
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		100	51	100
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		5,500	4,365	17,600
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		13,000	9,895	15,000
3409	Other Charges				
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		0	14,871	0
3502	Interest on Investments		20,000	27,050	20,000
3503-3509	Other		10,500	41,275	13,400

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUES ENSUING YEAR

INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds			
3913	From Capital Projects Funds			
3914	From Enterprise Funds			
	Sewer - (Offset)			
	Water - (Offset)			
	Electric - (Offset)			
	Airport - (Offset)			
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		294	
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds			

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes			
	Amts VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")			
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes			
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS		402,500	505,240	425,000

BUDGET SUMMARY

SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 4)	870,000
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	71,000
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 5)	6,698
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	947,698
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above, column 6)	425,000
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	522,698

Town of East Kingston, New Hampshire

- 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing. TO BE VOTED ON BY BALLOT**
- 2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of East Kingston Zoning Ordinance as follows: TO BE VOTED ON BY BALLOT**

Amend Article IV.I (page 9) (to broaden the scope) to read as follows:

Pursuant to RSA 674:1,IV, the Planning Board and its members, officers, and employees, in the performance of their functions, may be authorized to enter upon any land and make such examinations and surveys as are reasonably necessary and place and maintain necessary monuments and marks and, in the event consent for such entry is denied or not reasonably attainable, to obtain an administrative inspections warrant under RSA 595-B.

- 3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of East Kingston Zoning Ordinance as follows: TO BE VOTED ON BY BALLOT**

Amend Article IV.F.1 (page 8) to state the exemption currently given to agricultural signs. Add the following language:

“Temporary signs for Agricultural/Farming purposes, as defined by RSA 21:34-a, shall be exempt from this size requirement”.

- 4. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of East Kingston Zoning Ordinance as follows: TO BE VOTED ON BY BALLOT**

Add a new Article XII. Elderly Housing, as follows (and renumber subsequent Articles):

ELDERLY HOUSING

- 12.1 PURPOSE:** The regulations in this section have been established for the purpose of encouraging the construction of elderly housing developments (or the conversion of existing

structures into elderly housing facilities), which are designed and constructed to meet the unique needs of elderly citizens, while ensuring compliance with local planning standards, land use policies, good building design, and the requirements for the health, safety and general welfare of the inhabitants of East Kingston. Such developments shall not include assisted living and/or extended care facilities.

12.2 GENERAL STANDARDS: All elderly housing developments shall conform to the following standards:

- 12.2.1.** Elderly housing developments shall be permitted only in the Residential/Agricultural zoning district. All elderly housing developments shall contain a minimum of 10 acres and shall have at least fifty feet (50') of frontage on a public road.
- 12.2.2.** The total number of elderly housing units contained in any elderly housing development in the Town of East Kingston shall not exceed ten percent of the total dwelling units then existing in the Town of East Kingston.
- 12.2.3.** The maximum allowable number of units allowed on a site is four bedrooms per acre of contiguous upland. In calculating the maximum allowable number of units, no very poorly drained soils may be used. Poorly drained soils may not exceed 60% of the remaining soil area. Placement, or density, of the maximum allowable units on the site shall not exceed eight bedrooms per acre.
- 12.2.4.** Dwelling units shall be specifically designed to provide housing for elderly residents. Units shall have a maximum of two bedrooms, may not exceed thirty-five feet (35') in height, and may be either one or two stories. Buildings shall be separated by a minimum space of thirty-five feet.
- 12.2.5.** Adequate on site space shall be provided for off-street parking for two vehicles per dwelling unit.
- 12.2.6.** Building massing and style shall be distinctly residential in character, drawing on historical design elements that are consistent with rural New England architecture and which feature

characteristics such as pitched roofs, clapboard or shingle siding, raised panel exterior doors and divided light windows. All such elderly housing developments shall be designed and constructed to compliment and harmonize with the surrounding areas, particularly with regard to the size and scale of the development and its prominence and visibility to the community generally and to surrounding neighborhoods in particular.

- 12.2.7. Except as noted in the proviso contained in this subparagraph, all such elderly housing developments shall comply in all respects with the Town of East Kingston's Zoning Ordinance, Site Plan Review Regulations and/or Subdivision Regulations; provided, however, that the provisions of Articles III-A and XI of the Zoning Ordinance (Growth Control and Single Family Cluster Residential Development) shall not apply to any such elderly housing developments.
- 12.2.8. Dwelling units may be owner-occupied or rented. However, all permanent residents of all elderly housing units shall be at least 55 years of age.
- 12.2.9. The design and site layout of all such elderly housing developments shall compliment and harmonize with the rural character of the Town of East Kingston, shall maximize the privacy of dwelling units and preserve the natural character of the land.
- 12.2.10. All such elderly housing development shall make provision for pedestrian access within the development and, to the extent possible, to off-site community facilities.
- 12.2.11. All such elderly housing developments shall be landscaped to enhance their compatibility with surrounding areas, with emphasis given to the utilization of natural features wherever possible.
- 12.2.12. The perimeter of all such elderly housing developments shall be treated with a landscaped buffer zone of a minimum of twenty-five feet (25')

which may consist in whole or in part of existing natural grown.

12.2.13. The Planning Board may require that all roads within the development -- whether owned privately or not -- be built according to Town standards.

12.2.14. The Planning Board retains the right to approve the specific road and structure layouts for the purpose of the health, safety, and welfare of the town as well as for the efficiency and aesthetic variety and quality of design.

12.3. Common Land/Open Space. In every elderly housing development, common land/open space shall be set aside and covenanted to be maintained permanently as open space. The required amount of open space for all elderly housing developments shall be calculated as follows: either

12.3.1. No less than 25% of the gross upland area of the development. Upland area is defined as all soils, excluding poorly and very poorly drained soils, alluvial soils (subject to flooding), waterbodies, and slopes greater than 25%; or

12.3.2. No less than 25% of the gross land area of the development. No more than 50% of the open space land shall contain poorly or very poorly drained soils.

In calculating common/open space area the following shall not be included: public right-of-way, very poorly drained soils, soils with slopes over 25%, and parking lots. For developments with interior lot lines, the areas inside the lot lines shall not be included in the open space calculations.

Use of Common Land. Such common land shall be restricted to open space recreational uses such as park, swimming pool, tennis courts, golf course, or conservation. While the setbacks, front, rear, and side, are considered part of the common land, none of the above uses shall be allowed within these areas, nor any other uses that would disturb the natural vegetation within these areas. These restrictions of the use of the common land (including the landscaped buffered area), shall be stated in the covenants running with the land.

- 12.3.3. Access to Open Space/Common Land. Such common land shall have suitable access to a road within the development.
- 12.3.4. Protection of Common Land. Open space, common areas, common facilities, private roadways, and other features within the elderly housing development shall be protected by covenants running with the land and shall be conveyed by the property owners to a homeowners association so as to guarantee the following:
 - a) The continued use of land for the intended purposes.
 - b) Continuity of proper maintenance for those portions of the development requiring maintenance.
 - c) The availability of funds required for such maintenance.
 - d) Recovery for loss sustained as a result of casualty, condemnation or otherwise.
 - e) Creation of a homeowners association or tenancy-in-common or similar form of ownership, with automatic membership and obligation of the residents of the elderly housing development upon conveyance of title or lease to single dwelling units. Homeowners association, tenancy-in-common, or similar form of ownership shall include lien provisions and shall be subject to review and approval by the Planning Board.
- 12.4 It shall be the responsibility of the developer/builder of each such elderly housing development to establish a Home Owner's Association and to prepare and adopt appropriate Articles and By-Laws which are to be submitted in advance to the Planning Board and Town Counsel for their review and approval. In preparing the Articles and By-Laws, particular consideration shall be given to accommodating the unique needs of the elderly citizens and to ensuring that residents of such developments are guaranteed adequate and appropriate services. The creation of the Home Owner's Association and the Articles and By-Laws shall be at the sole expense of the developer/builder and the

costs of the review by the Planning Board and Town Counsel shall also be born by the developer/builder. Any association formed for the purpose of elderly housing must have stipulated in their By-Laws and Declaration of Covenants, that the Association will at all times be in compliance with current East Kingston ordinances governing elderly housing.

- 12.5 The Planning Board shall maintain and exercise the authority to approve or disapprove all proposed elderly housing developments. The Planning Board shall act reasonably in exercising such discretionary authority but shall take into consideration such factors, for example, as: the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of East Kingston; the aesthetic impact on immediately surrounding areas; whether the design is adequate to meet the unique needs of elderly residents; whether the Articles and By-Laws operate to serve the unique needs of elderly residents; the burdens created by additional demands on Town services; and whether the proposed development complies with the requirements of this Elderly Housing Amendment, as well as, with the requirement of East Kingston's Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision and Site Plan Regulations.
- 12.6 The following terms shall have the following meanings for purpose of interpreting these Elderly Housing Regulations:
 - 12.6.1 Elderly Housing Development: Housing contained in a development featuring predominantly small single-family residences, apartments and/or condominiums.
 - 12.6.2 Bedroom: a room with an interior door and a closet.

5. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of East Kingston Zoning Ordinance as follows: TO BE VOTED ON BY BALLOT

Replace Article IV.D.7 (pgs. 7 & 8) with the following:

Every lot not served by Town sewer shall be subject to the following (ref: New Hampshire Code of Administrative rules PART Env-Ws1014 Effluent Disposal Areas -- General Requirements).

- A. Receiving Layer. The receiving layer for an effluent disposal system shall meet the following criteria before a

site is considered suitable for modification, as needed, for system design and approval:

- 1) There shall be no wetlands that have very poorly drained soils, determined in accordance with Env-Ws 1002.76, 1014.02, and 1014.03, under or within 75 feet laterally of the proposed system;
 - 2) If the proposed effluent disposal area is to be within 75 feet of a wetland boundary, then areas delineated as wetlands shall be further classified as having poorly drained or very poorly drained soils, in accordance with Env-Ws 1002.49, 1002.76, 1014.02, 1014.03;
 - 3) There shall be no poorly drained jurisdictional wetlands, determined in accordance with Env-Ws 1002.49 and 1014.03, under or within 50 feet of the proposed system;
 - 4) There shall be at least two feet of permeable soil above any impermeable subsoil;
 - 5) There shall be at least three feet of soil above bedrock; and
 - 6) The extent of receiving layer with respect to paragraph (4) and (5) shall be under and a minimum of 35 feet down gradient of the proposed effluent disposal area, but no less than the distance required for any side and down gradient fill extension.
- B. The two feet of permeable soil above any impermeable subsoil required by paragraph (A)(4) above may be created by placing fill onto the subsoil, subject to the following conditions:
- 1) The fill shall meet the criteria of paragraph (D) below; and
 - 2) Any state or local permits necessary to place the fill shall be obtained.

C. The three feet of soil above bedrock required by (A) (5) above may be created by placing fill onto the subsoil, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) There is an average of 18 inches of natural soil above the bedrock;
- 2) The fill shall meet the criteria of paragraph (D), below;
- 3) Any state or local permits necessary to place the fill shall be obtained; and
- 4) Fill shall be placed prior to the department issuing subdivision approval;

D. Fill used to create a receiving layer in accordance with this section shall:

- 1) Contain no tree stumps, sawdust, wood chips, tree bark, bricks, asphalt, concrete, metal, wallboard, construction debris, or other such non-soil materials;
- 2) Contain no more than 25% by volume of cobbles larger than 6 inches in diameter or stones larger than 12 inches in diameter;
- 3) Have a percolation rate of not greater than 15 minutes per inch after placement and compaction; and
- 4) Be homogeneous, and if bedding planes or other discontinuities are present, detailed soil analysis from a person or laboratory qualified to perform the analysis shall be submitted with the application to establish that the fill meets the above criteria.

6. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of East Kingston Zoning Ordinance as follows: TO BE VOTED ON BY BALLOT

Amend the Wetlands Ordinance (Article VIII) as follows:

Article VIII.B.1.e (page 13): remove "Hydric A" and "Hydric B";
 VIII.C.1 (page 14): remove "Hydric B soils";

VIII.C.2 (page 15): remove "Hydric A Soils"; and

VIII.E.3 (page 16): replace two references to "Hydric A" with "very poorly drained" and replace two references to "Hydric B" with "poorly drained".

- 7. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town of East Kingston Zoning Ordinance as follows: TO BE VOTED ON BY BALLOT**

Amend Article VI.B by adding a new section as follows:

7. The driveway to the backlot must be located in the 40' area and must access the road on which the backlot has frontage.

- 8. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by Citizen Petition for the Town of East Kingston Zoning Ordinance as follows: TO BE VOTED ON BY BALLOT** (The Planning Board does NOT recommend the approval of this article.)

Amending Article XII – LIGHT INDUSTRIAL/RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (Adopted 3/89) by inserting a new paragraph 4 (below) and renumbering the subsequent paragraphs:

4. Hours of operation for all businesses located within the Light Industrial District shall be kept within the following hours:
- a. 6AM to 7PM Monday through Friday;
 - b. 8AM to 6PM Saturday; and
 - c. Closed Sundays and all holidays.
- 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$870,000.00) less estimated revenues to defray Town charges for the ensuing year. MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED** (The Selectmen recommend approval of this article. 3-0 Board vote.)
- 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept gifts of personal property which may be offered to the town for any public purpose, pursuant to RSA 31:95-e. The Selectmen must hold a public**

hearing before accepting any such gift with a value of over \$500. For gifts with a value of \$500.00 or less, a public hearing on the proposed acceptance shall be at the discretion of the Selectmen. The acceptance of any such personal property shall not bind the Town to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of any such personal property. **MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED** (The Selectmen recommend approval of this article. 3-0 Board vote.)

11. **To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town gifts, legacies and devises made to the Town in trust for any public purpose, as permitted by RSA 31:19. MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED** (The Selectmen recommend approval of this article. 3-0 Board vote.)
12. **To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven thousand dollars (\$7,000.00) for the second year installment of the three-year lease/purchase agreement with Irwin Motors approved at the 1999 Town Meeting for the 1999 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor Sedan to be used by the Police Department. MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED** (The Selectmen recommend approval of this article. 3-0 Board vote.)
13. **To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000.00) to be added to the Fire Apparatus (Fire Engine) Capital Reserve Fund established at the 1999 Town Meeting. MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED** (The Selectmen recommend approval of this article. 3-0 Board vote.)
14. **To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) to be added to the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund. MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED** (The Selectmen recommend approval of this article. 3-0 Board vote.)
15. **To see if the Town under RSA 231:43-Power to Discontinue, will vote to completely discontinue a portion of the Old Route 108 on the easterly side of the**

present Route 108. The portion to be discontinued runs southeasterly for approximately one thousand two hundred fifty-seven (1,257) feet at the end of the town-owned road to the northerly line of Chuck Woodland property Map 11, Block 2, Lot 17 (reaching present Route 108). The portion beginning at the present Route 108 near the East Kingston Post Office and running southeasterly for approximately seven hundred and ten (710) feet to the property Map 11, Block 2, Lot 14 will remain town-owned. (Old Route 108 was originally laid out in 1745. The State of New Hampshire and Town of East Kingston relocated the road in 1925. The Town of East Kingston voted to discontinue Old Route 108 on the westerly side in 1937, but not the easterly side.) **MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED** (The Selectmen recommend approval of this article. 3-0 Board vote.)

16. To see if the Town will vote to send the following resolution to the New Hampshire General Court: Resolved, New Hampshire's natural, cultural and historic resources in this town and throughout the state are worthy of protection and, therefore, the State of New Hampshire should establish and fund a permanent public/private partnership for the voluntary conservation of these important resources. **MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED.** (The Selectmen recommend the approval of this article. 3-0 Board vote.)
17. On the petition of Lawrence K. Smith and 61 other registered voters to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to convey a conservation easement to the Rockingham County Conservation District or other appropriate conservation organization, on the following parcels of town-owned land: 1) The Parsonage Lot (MBL# 9-8-23) located off Route 108, south of the Hillside Cemetery; 2) The Welch Lot (MBL# 11-2-4) located on the south side of Clement Lane, abutting the East Kingston/South Hampton town line; and 3) the so-called Railroad Lot (MBL# 2-4-4 and 2-4-5) located south of Route 107A, adjacent to the B&M Railroad tracks and Powwow Pond, in order to permanently protect said areas from development, and retain them for nature

study, recreation, maintaining and improving town-owned forest land, and to enhance and maintain the scenic, wildlife, and open space that are an intrinsic part of East Kingston's valuable rural character for the benefit of the Town of East Kingston and its citizens. **MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED** (The Selectmen do NOT recommend approval of this article. 3-0 Board vote.)

18. On the petition of Marjorie Tice Rowell and 29 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be placed in the Library Capital Reserve Fund established at the 1997 Town Meeting. **MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED** (The Selectmen recommend approval of this article. 3-0 Board vote.)
19. On the petition of Clarke R. Chandler and 26 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred twenty-five dollars (\$825.00) to the Richie McFarland Children's Center. (\$275.00 for each child receiving service - 3 children served.) **MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED** (The Selectmen recommend approval of this article. 3-0 Board vote.)
20. On the petition of Edna M. Walsh and 33 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred forty two dollars (\$342.00) to Rockingham Nutrition & Meals on Wheels Program which provides a service for older and homebound older and disabled East Kingston residents. **MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED** (The Selectmen recommend approval of this article. 2-0 Board vote.)
21. On the petition of Andrew Berridge and 26 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred fifty dollars (\$850.00) to Seacoast Hospice, a non-profit organization. **MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED** (The Selectmen recommend approval of this article. 3-0 Board vote.)

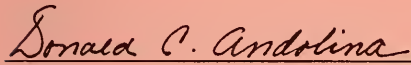
22. On the petition of Richard J. Carbone and 29 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand two hundred seventy four dollars (\$2,274.00) to the Rockingham Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice for providing continued health care service to the residents of the Town. MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED (The Selectmen recommend approval of this article. 3-0 Board vote.)
23. On the petition of Elena Poelaert and 29 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand ninety-seven dollars (\$1,097.00) to Rockingham Community Action, a private, non-profit, multi-service, anti-poverty agency. This amount represents 5 1/4 % of \$20,896 (twenty thousand eight hundred ninety-six dollars), the value of services rendered to East Kingston residents from July 1, 1998 through June 30, 1999. The services provided by RCA include over 25 programs, including fuel assistance, homelessness prevention and prevention, emergency food programs, literacy services, W.I.C. and crisis intervention services. RCA's service greatly reduces the need for East Kingston residents to apply for town welfare, thus reducing the town's welfare rolls and saving the town money. MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED (The Selectmen recommend approval of this article. 3-0 Board vote.)
24. On the petition of Andrew Berridge and 24 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) to assist New Outlook, Inc. in providing support for New Outlook's programs, in an effort to serve the needs of SAU-16's youth. MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED (The Selectmen recommend approval of this article. 2-1 Board vote.)
25. On the petition of John F. Melanson and 26 other registered voters of the Town of East Kingston to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight hundred and ten dollars (\$810.00) for the purpose

of defraying the cost of services provided to the Town of East Kingston and its residents by Seacoast Big Brothers Big Sisters of New Hampshire. **MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED.** (The Selectmen recommend approval of this article. 3-0 Board vote.)

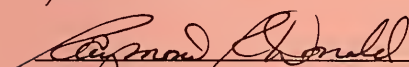
26. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting. **MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED**

Given under our hands and seal, this 14th day of February, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand.

A true copy of Warrant – Attest:


Donald C. Andolina, Chairman


John L. Fillio


Raymond R. Donald

Town of East Kingston
Board of Selectmen

NOTES

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Animals tested for rabies	1
Animals euthanized & buried (13 cats, 4 woodchucks)	17
Cats reported lost	2
Cats found and impounded	3
Complaints: (12 Dog, 1 cat, 1 goat, 2 wild animal)	16
Dead animals picked up and buried	8
Dogs reported lost	12
Dogs found and impounded	9
Loose cows caught	1
Loose horses caught	7
Respond to deer/car collision	1

Rabies continues to be a threat. We will plan a rabies clinic in April 2000 as we have in the past at the Town Offices building.

Respectfully,
Robert A. Marston, DVM, Animal Control Officer



BUILDING INSPECTOR

In the year 1999, a total of seventy-eight building permits were issued in the Town of East Kingston. The following is a breakdown of the permits issued:



4	occupancy permits (3 prior year)
8	new homes
5	in ground pools
<u>61</u>	home improvements
78	

Throughout the year, on a regular basis, I performed building permit inspections, witnessed test pit sites, and reviewed septic designs. I also attended most of the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment meetings, which are scheduled on a monthly basis.

Respectfully,
Glenn Clark, Building Inspector

CABLE COMMITTEE

The Cable Committee was formed in April 1999 to make preparations for a new contract with the cable company that serves East Kingston, MediaOne. There are many issues to be considered including the needs of the school, library, selectmen's office, fire and police departments. These are continuing to be looked at as we start the negotiating process with MediaOne.

Several meetings were held on a regular monthly basis and a comprehensive report will be available for Town Meeting on March 14th, 2000.

If any citizen has issues that should be considered by this committee, please contact one of the members. They are: Stephen Koukias, Chairman, Ronald Strickland, Conrad Moses, Eugene Madej, Ronald Edmiston, and Gerald Bean.

Respectfully,
Ronald Edmiston, Cable Committee Member



CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

The basic duty and responsibility of a Code Enforcement Officer is to investigate any complaints of violations submitted to the Selectmen's Office regarding the Town's zoning ordinances and to inform the Board of Selectmen of the findings. Throughout 1999, I responded to several complaints and the Board of Selectmen determined that no further action was required.

If you have any questions regarding the zoning ordinances you may contact me at the Selectmen's Office (642-8406) or at my home (642-8727.) The Town's Zoning Ordinance Book is available for review or purchase at the Selectmen's Office.

Respectfully,
Glenn P. Clark, Code Enforcement Officer

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

DREDGE AND FILL APPLICATIONS: This year the Commission processed four new applications for work in wetlands; one for a logging operation, two for subdivision access roads/driveways, and one for work in connection with the expansion of the East Kingston Elementary School. The permit for one of the subdivision projects was appealed, but the request for appeal was summarily dismissed by the NH Wetland Council due to its inadequacy and failure to provide the information necessary to constitute an appeal. We also provided comments to the NH Wetlands Bureau on proposed rules changes related to the permitting process. Also, in conjunction with the Kingston Conservation Commission, we have been involved with some serious wetlands and other surface disturbance violations that have occurred in connection with the expansion of the Kingston Fairways Golf Course that crosses the town line, and have been working with the NH Department of Environmental Services personnel to resolve these issues.



TOWN LANDS: The three Town-owned woodlots (Parsonage, Welch, and Railroad lots) have been inspected and re-certified for inclusion in the American Tree Farm System for another five years, until 2004, and we continue to monitor these woodlots to determine the need for future management activities. The Town has acquired a 44-acre parcel of land from Ed Smith, located south of Giles Road and adjacent to existing Town-owned lands previously acquired from the Red Gate subdivision, and the Corbett parcel. The Town now owns 85 contiguous acres of valuable wildlife habitat and wetlands, including a 2-acre pond, in the area between Sanborn and Giles Roads.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY: The Commission continues to be involved in NH DOT's adopt-a-highway program, cleaning up litter along Route 108 from the intersection of Routes 107/108 to the Newton town line, doing four pickups a year between April and October.

LAND AND COMMUNITY HERITAGE PROGRAM: This proposed statewide program, which is intended to be a sequel to the successful Land Conservation Investment Program (LCIP) of the late '80s and early 90's, is gaining support throughout the state, and hopefully will become a reality during the 2000 session of the Legislature. The L&CH Program will seek to preserve cultural and

historical features as well as open space lands. We urge your support of the warrant articles to be voted on at this year's Town Meeting; encourage the Legislature to pass this much-needed program.

WATER QUALITY MONITORING: A new project for the Commission this year involves taking water samples on Powwow Pond, as part of the State's Volunteer Lake Assessment Program (VLAP). This project is being conducted in conjunction with the Kingston Conservation Commission, as a large part of the pond is in Kingston. Water samples are taken at six sites on the pond, including major inlets and the outlet, to determine the quality of the water and the overall health of the pond. Test results so far indicate that we have no major problems with water quality, but will take several years of monitoring to determine any trends in quality that may occur. Sampling is done on a monthly basis throughout the summer, to determine what effect, if any, heavy use of the pond during those months may have on water quality.

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

- ❑ Provided informational displays at Town Meeting and Old Home Day.
- ❑ Provided input to the Planning Board on subdivision proposals on South Road, North Road, Haverhill Road, Powwow River Road, Sanborn Road, and one along the East Kingston/Kingston line off of Route 111.
- ❑ Wrote a letter of support to the Merrimack River Watershed Council in connection with their application for a grant to do a study of the Powwow River watershed, a project that is long overdue.
- ❑ Attended meeting/seminars sponsored by the NH Association of Conservation Commissions, Rockingham Planning Commission, UNH Cooperative Extension, NH Municipal Association, NH Department of Environmental Services, Citizens for NH Lands & Community Heritage, The American Ground Water Trust, and US Environmental Protection Agency.

As always members of the Commission are available to answer any questions residents may have regarding natural resource issues; and if we don't have the answer, we can get it.

Respectfully,
Lawrence K. Smith, Chairman

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The year of 1999 was a quiet year for Emergency Management. As the New Year approached, Y2K posed no problems. All the preparation from everyone involved, including the Town, the State of New Hampshire, and Seabrook Station, paid off.

There were no drills held in 1999 for us at Emergency Management. However, the coming year shall be quite busy. We will be participating in two drills, one in March the other in May, and a graded exercise in June 2000.

We are confident that we will perform extremely well as the participation from the departments involved is always overwhelming. This is one of the reasons we have always exceeded the requirements put on us by the State and Seabrook Station. We are looking forward to a productive and successful year.

Respectfully,

Amanda Lashoones, Emergency Management Coordinator



FIRE DEPARTMENT



Nineteen ninety-nine has been a very active year for the Fire Department once again. Membership is at twenty-six, and we have two additional applications pending. Congratulations to Julie Urwick, Tim Conti and Tracy Brann who became Nationally Registered EMT's; Carl Richter became state certified 1st Responder and Diana Mazur, who received Paramedic certification. I would like to thank all the members of the department for all their hard work throughout the year. I would also like to say thank you to their families, for their patience and understanding, when their loved one jumps up from the supper table or is late for a family outing, because there is a fire or rescue call. And last, but not least, thanks goes to the residents of East Kingston for their confidence and support all year

long. If anyone is interested in joining the department, please give me a call, you do not need experience, we will provide the training.

Thanks to the generosity of many individuals who have donated an unbelievable amount of their time and expertise. Our Forestry truck is a piece of work that we are all very proud of. I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank the following people: all members of the truck committee, Fire Dept. personnel, members of the Fire Association, Dick Cook at Tri-C Mfg., Greg Hill at Granite State, and Ken Cabral at Ken's Auto.

We have upgraded some of our communication equipment this year by replacing six pagers and two radios, as well as purchasing a new radio for the Forestry unit. Each year we upgrade and add to our communication equipment to be sure that all personnel have the equipment they need to respond to an emergency.

We are looking toward 2001 for replacement of Engine-3, a 1955 Mack that suffered a pump failure this year. It has been repaired with the hopes that we will be able to stay in service until our scheduled replacement date. Over the next year we will be researching the equipment market to see what our options are.

I would like to remind residents that if you want to burn brush or have an outside campfire, you *must* obtain a burn permit. This is a State Law that carries a minimum fine of \$1,000 up to \$2,000. Please, all it takes is a phone call to Richard Smith, the Fire Warden at 642-5544. If you cannot reach Richard call me at 642-8663. We will be happy to issue the permit, but, as some of you know there are times that the State will not allow us to issue these permits or they suspend the ones that are in effect due to weather conditions. We do not make these rules, but we do have to enforce them. So, please, just pick up that phone and call us BEFORE you strike that match.

Over the past year we have had 112 calls. The following is a break down of the calls:

If you have an emergency, call 911. For business or non-emergency use, call 642-3141.

Respectfully,
Alan J. Mazur, Fire Chief

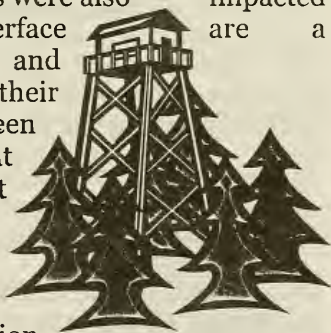
MEDICAL CALLS	58
FIRE CALLS	13
AUTO ACCIDENTS	17
CO2 DETECTOR ACTIVATION	02
FIRE ALARM ACTIVATION	11
MUTUAL AID	10
SEARCH AND RESCUE	01

FOREST FIRE WARDEN & STATE FOREST RANGER

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden of Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before *any* outside burning. Fire permits are required for any open burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow where the burning will be done. Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law and other burning laws are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and /or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are eleven Forest Rangers who work for the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands, and the Forest Protection Bureau. During the 1999 season Forest Rangers were busy assisting communities with suppression of difficult and remote multi-day fires. Forest Rangers have also investigated numerous complaints regarding violation of the timber harvest and forest fire laws, and taken enforcement action to ensure compliance. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call 271-2217.

There are 2400 Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Forest Fire Wardens throughout the state. Each town has a Forest Fire Warden and several Deputy Wardens who assist the Forest Rangers with forest fire suppression, prevention, and law enforcement. The 1999 fire season was a challenging but safe year for wildland firefighters in New Hampshire. The severe drought conditions throughout the spring and summer months combined with residual effects of 1998 Ice Storm, resulted in dramatic increase in wildland fires. In addition to burning in excess of 452 acres, 35 structures were also impacted by wildfire. Wildland fires in the urban interface are a serious concern for both landowners and firefighters. Homeowners can help protect their structures by maintaining adequate green space around them and making sure that houses are properly identified with street numbers.



The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection and reports from citizens aid in the quick response from local fire departments. This is a critical factor in controlling the size of

wildland fires and keeping the loss of property and suppression costs as low as possible.

Please contact your local fire department before doing ANY outside burning.

REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!!

1999 FIRE STATISTICS

Fires Reported by County

	Numbers	Acres
Belknap	139	66
Carroll	81	17
Cheshire	131	28
Coos	18	3
Grafton	70	18
Hillsborough	271	50
Merrimack	213	115
Rockingham	218	111
Strafford	98	26
Sullivan	62	17

Causes of Fires Reported

Arson/Suspicious	54
Campfire	161
Children	176
Debris Burning	352
Equipment Use	43
Lightning	42
Miscellaneous*	279
Railroad	6
Smoking	188

*(powerlines, fireworks, structures, OHRV)

	Total <u>Acres</u>	Total <u>Fires</u>
1999	452	1301
1998	442	798



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends of the East Kingston Library would like to thank our sponsors and supporters for their generosity and help to achieve our goals throughout the year.

One of our goals for the year was the purchase of the large print books and also "books-on-tape" for the library. We hope you will come and see what books are available.

We also distributed an informational brochure about the Friends for promoting participation and sponsorship. A copy went out in the Town Report. We have thus far had a promising response.

Again we gave our annual \$350 scholarship to a deserving East Kingston senior – this year being Colleen O'Halloran. We also decided to give an additional honorary scholarship of \$150 to Harry Lindsay III. Congratulations to both of our recipients. The scholarship monies have been raised from the selling of raffle tickets for the quilt that Sarabel Lazor generously made and donated to the Friends.

Some of our activities included the Soup Luncheon and the "Fairytaler". The Soup Luncheon is a good opportunity for the community to get together after the holiday season has ended. The activity this year was a beautiful cake decorating demonstration given by Leigh Burley.

An activity for the children of East Kingston was sponsoring "The Fairytaler". It was an interactive production of Alice in Wonderland given at the Town Hall and was very well attended.

We also participated at Old Home Day – selling coffee, t-shirts, and our new tote bags. The tote bags seemed to be a popular item for sale and will continue to be sold at community functions.

The Friends group also keeps the library decorated year round. We just put up wreaths and garland for the holiday season. Wendy Buda made us beautiful new bows for the wreaths this year. In the spring the flower boxes will be planted with cascading flowers and greenery.

Upcoming projects are the purchase of a laminator for the library (to be used both by the library and also for the residents) and the upgrading of the landscape around the library.

The Friends have made yet another beautiful quilt – the "Friends Quilt 2000" – to be raffled off at the November election. It will be on display at various town functions along with many opportunities to buy raffle tickets throughout the year.

We welcome you to join the Friends of the Library in the New Year. The meeting times are listed in the East Kingston Newsletter.

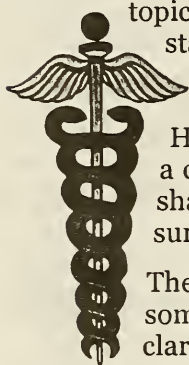
Respectfully,
Laura L. Walstad, Secretary

The 1999 Board Members are:
Susan Bigbie, President -- 394-7099
Sharon Day, Treasurer -- 642-7956
Laura Walstad, Secretary -- 642-4873



HEALTH OFFICER

In my position as State Health Officer, I attended a number of educational seminars sponsored by the State of New Hampshire. The



topics of discussion were wide-ranging, from changes to the state regulations concerning child-care facilities to planning for potential incidents of bio-terrorism. I

also continued to maintain contact with the Seacoast Health Officer's Group. These meetings provide me with a chance to stay in touch with the local community and to share viewpoints on issues we have in common with surrounding towns.

There have been a few routine inspections this year and some assistance has been rendered with regard to clarification of health and environmental regulations.

Respectfully,

Andrew L.T. Berridge, State Health Officer



HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

The East Kingston Historical Committee enjoyed another quiet but productive year. We received a number of papers and items from various people including Ardith Polletta and Joe Guiliani, a relative of Carmen Sciris.

The Old Home Day was its usual success as far as the Townspeople's interest in our display of old pictures and stories of the Town's past.

We again invite all interested people to join us in our quest for East Kingston's past. As yet, we have been unable to set a meeting date for the Historical Committee, but we are looking towards one meeting per month.

Historically yours,

Janet W. Damsell, Chairperson

LIBRARIAN

The year 1999 has been very exciting for us here at the library. Our card catalog has been changed over to the computer and our books are all coded for automation. It has been a long and arduous task, but we will be automated for the millennium! We will be working on our new library cards to be issued during January.

We have added new staff. Diane Smith Sheckells is our new assistant librarian. She has been a very artistic addition to the library. With her arrival came the after school craft program. It all started with a soap-carving course during Summer Reading Program. That was so popular we decided to continue throughout the year. We've made Harry Potter board games, wonderful masks, and Lakota Sioux medicine bags.



Barbara Belmonte is our new library aide. She is a tremendous help on those busy Friday mornings during story hour. She also fills in at the library in Kingston.

Our programming for both children and adults has grown tremendously. Summer Reading Program now sees at least 75 children signed up. We've added a craft program one afternoon a month for those who have outgrown story hour. Our story hours have grown. Even though it is a bit difficult with so many children in such a little space, it is wonderful to see such interest and to see new faces. It is so important to help children feel comfortable in the library setting. Using a library is a skill that goes anywhere and your child will use it their whole life.

This year we received a grant from the New Hampshire Humanities Council for an adult program called, "Of Stones and Bones." It was hosted by local author and playwright, Rebecca Rule. It was both enlightening and entertaining. We learned of many local New Hampshire gems of writers and heard many of our own East Kingston gems recite poems. We will be having more programs for adults in the coming year.

The Friends of the Library were once again an appreciated asset to the library. They always make the building look beautiful with the window boxes in the warm months and wreaths for the holidays.

They have helped add to the collection with large print books and books on tape. They just purchased a laminator for the library that will enable us to produce our new library cards. Their help as always is invaluable and much appreciated.

We have received many donations of books over the year. It is wonderful to be able to add so many books and materials to the collection. Thanks go out to all of those who have, over the last year, donated to the library.

We look forward to the year 2000 and hope to have Internet access for the public. It will enable our small library to hold so much information. We urge you to visit us and see for yourself what we have to offer.



Respectfully,
Tracy Waldron, Librarian

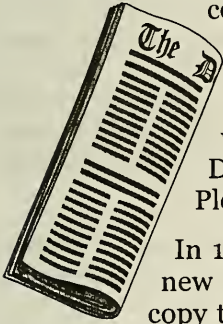


LIBRARY STATISTICS

Circulation		Attendance	
Adult Fiction	2,110	Regular Hours	5,249
Adult Non-Fiction	1,108	Story Hour	722
Adult Magazines	1,082	Special Programs	176
Videos	56	Total Attendance	6,147
Audios	321		
Miscellaneous	11		
Children's Fiction	5,061	Internet Searches	107
Children's Non-Fic	710	Reference Queries	614
Cassette Books	84	Summer Reading	75
Videos	91	New Cards	78
Junior Magazines	65		
Interlibrary Loan in	332		
Interlibrary Loan out	399		
Total Circulation	11,430		

NEWSLETTER

The East Kingston Newsletter was originally designed by the Recreation Department back in the 1980's to keep residents informed of community happenings. With only a few lapses, the Newsletter is continuing its original goal. In recent years it has offered new columns like the Kids Page, a Police Log, a Gardener's Journal, and monthly school updates. These columns are submitted by faithful writers like Kathy Carlucci (Bassi), the Police Department, Wendy Buda, and Principal Pat Cushing. Please thank them next time you see them.



In 1999 the Board of Selectmen negotiated a lease on a new copier that collates and staples thus reducing the copy time of each edition from ten to five hours a month.

A "huge" thank you from this editor!

Please note that submissions are accepted from any resident or town related organization that would like to publish information to the general public. Articles may be submitted to the Selectmen's Office, the editor's residence, or via phone or fax (Selectmen phone/fax 642-8406, Editors phone/fax 642-3338) or by email mbelcher@nh.ultranet.com. The deadline to submit information for publication is the 24th of each month.

The Newsletter is available at the following locations: Town Offices, Post Office, Library, Jewett's, Maplevale Turkey Farm, Frills & Furbelows, That Look Hair Salon, Monahan's Farm Stand (in the summer) and it is distributed to the students at the Elementary School. Residents who are unable to pick up a copy because of physical limitations are asked to contact the editor for home delivery.

Any suggestions or comments to improve the Newsletter's format are also welcomed by contacting the editor at any of the numbers listed above.

Respectfully,
Catherine Belcher, Editor

OLD HOME DAY

The 1999 East Kingston Old Home Day took place in September and was sponsored by the East Kingston Recreation Department and its volunteers. The East Kingston Volunteer Firemen's Association also played a critical role, with the help of Amanda Lashoones, the Carters, and Alan Mazur (to name a few), in the planning and organization of the event. It was a well-coordinated effort between the two organizations that resulted in a fantastic day. Special thanks to Recreation Chairman Mike Moore and Old Home Day Chairperson Christa Thistle, both of whom worked tirelessly for several months putting the day together.

Several local organizations participated including the Historical Commission, the Friends of the Library, the Conservation Commission, the Methodist Church Women's Guild, the Fire Association, and the Recreation Department. We appreciate the efforts and participation of the volunteers of all these organizations. The day also included special exhibitions by the Kingston K-9 Unit and Vallee Martial Arts. Thanks to Robbi-lyn Ward for her hard work in coordinating many of these events and activities.

The Recreation Department sponsored a Lobster Bake and the Firemen's Association held their annual Chicken Barbeque. Children enjoyed the wide variety of exciting activities including the Moonwalk, Dunk Tank, Sports Challenge, Pumpkin Painting, Arts & Crafts, Pony Rides, Hayrides, Volleyball, Soccer, and more! Everyone enjoyed the BINGO and terrific prizes. Thanks to all who contributed so generously to the BINGO prizes and the Recreation Department Raffle.

Special guests Puppeteer Martha Dana and Cuddles the Clown also entertained the enthusiastic crowds, thanks to Terri McShane. And thanks to Debbie Gallant too, for her assistance and guidance throughout the entire process.

The day was a fantastic success thanks to the generous efforts of so many community members as well as all those individuals and families who came out to take part and enjoy the festivities of the day. It was a wonderful opportunity for people to get out and take pleasure in the benefits of our great town and this wonderful tradition.

Respectfully,
Rachel Owens, Old Home Day Committee Co-Chairperson

PLANNING BOARD

In 1999 the East Kingston Planning Board received numerous applications for home occupations, site plan reviews, and subdivisions. The following is a listing of those proposals considered at duly noticed public hearings and the actions taken by the Board.

Home Occupation cases:

- 99-01 Thomas Brandolini of 17 Rowell Road, claiming his auto repair business was grandfathered, applied for a home occupation permit in 1998. Case 99-01 was a rehearing of this matter held by the Board. It concluded with the Board recommending the Selectmen deny the request, which they did, and Mr. Brandolini appealed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.
- 99-02 Gary Hinz of 76 Main Street proposed the operation of a landscaping design business from his residence. The Board recommended the Selectmen approve his application.
- 99-03 David Rorhdanz of 52 Burnt Swamp Road applied for a home occupation permit to operate an automotive and marine upholstery business from his residence. The Board recommended the Selectmen exempt the proposal from the permitting procedures because the scope of the business fell under the "invisible clause". (See Article 10.6)

Site Plan Review cases:

- 99-0A Charles Marden, Trustee of Chuck Woodlands Realty Trust, proposed the operation of a trucking garage from 213 Haverhill Road (MSK Lumber Complex). The Board approved the application. The Board's decision has since been appealed to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.
- 99-0B Dr. George Storm proposed the operation of an education/agricultural facility from 44 North Road, formerly the Rosenberg property. The Board denied the application and directed Dr. Storm to apply for a variance via the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

- 99-oC The East Kingston School District proposed the construction of a 7,433-foot addition to the existing school on Andrews Lane. Initially the Board approved the application, however, the drainage plans could not be executed as proposed and a new application with new drainage plans would need to be submitted.
- 99-oD Lewis Dodge, III proposed the operation of a carpentry/woodworking business at 14 Powwow River Road (located in a commercial zone). The Board granted the application conditional that audible noise not be detected beyond the property line before the hour of 7AM or after the hour of 7PM.
- 99-oE Francis Colanton proposed the expansion of the 9-hole Kingston Fairways Golf Course to an 18-hole course. The Board met collectively with the Kingston Planning Board in which both boards refused to invoke jurisdiction until proper State and local permits were received. Mr. Colanton was directed to submit a complete plan for consideration.
- 99-oF The East Kingston School District proposed a new drainage plan in relation to their plan to construct a 7,433-foot addition to the existing school on Andrews Lane. This plan was approved by the Board.
- 99-oG Steve Amundsen proposed the operation of a printer warehouse/storage and printer equipment repair business from 5 North Road (formerly Denny's Auto Repair). The Board approved the application conditional that the fire department conduct an annual inspection of the premises.

Subdivision/Lot Line Adjustment cases:

- 98-05 La Noria Development Corporation submitted a plan in 1998 to subdivide a 25-acre parcel on Powwow River Road into 7 lots. In 1999, La Noria amended its plan to subdivide the parcel into only 6 lots. The Board approved this plan with conditions.
- 99-01 Marie Robie of 49 Burnt Swamp Road proposed a lot line adjustment between her lot and an abutting parcel owned by Quin DeGraca. The Board approved this plan.
- 99-02 Dean Howard Construction proposed the subdivision of a 100-acre parcel located on Sanborn Road into 9 frontage

- lots with one 81-acre parcel remaining. During the application process, the property was conveyed to Brentwood Commons, LLC, however, the plan remained the same. The Board approved the proposal.
- 99-03 Lawrence Erickson proposed a 2-lot subdivision of an 8-acre parcel at 53 Haverhill Road. Upon approving the plan, the Board also granted a waiver that a separate driveway was not required by reason of the protection of existing wetlands.
- 99-04 William & June DiProfio of 139 Depot Road proposed the subdivision of their 24-acre parcel into 2 building lots with remaining land to be combined with abutting land owned by Francis Colanton. The Board granted approval of this plan.
- 99-05 James Mower proposed the subdivision of a 45-acre parcel into 2 lots located at 59 South Road. The Board approved this plan.
- 99-06 Steve Wilson proposed the subdivision of a 9-acre parcel into 2 lots located at 46 Stumpfield Road. The Board approved this plan.
- 99-07 David Sabatini proposed to subdivide 44 North Road, a 33-acre parcel, into 7 lots. This application is currently pending.

For the record, the East Kingston Planning Board is as concerned as the rest of the town about the number of subdivisions being created, but the statutes clearly state that if a subdivision plan meets all the necessary criteria, the Planning Board must approve it. A subdivision application cannot be denied simply because the town doesn't want any more growth.

A review of Zoning, Site Plan Review and Subdivision amendments approved and adopted in 1999 is as follows:

Zoning Amendments adopted at Town Meeting in 1999:

1. Added new sign provisions for signs located in a residential district;
2. Amended Article IV.I (Temporary Manufactured Housing) to allow the placement of a temporary manufactured house on a lot for non-emergency purposes (i.e. during the construction of a new dwelling);

3. Added new density bonus provisions for cluster development;
4. Increased inspection fees for new septic systems;
5. Decreased setbacks for development around wetlands;
6. Amended septic system provisions for replacement systems; and
7. Expanded the commercial district to include 14 Powwow River Road.

The Planning Board thanks all East Kingston residents who supported their amendments in 1999. Though not all proposals are popular, the Board continually strives to improve the Town's ordinances.

Subdivision Amendments adopted in 1999:

1. Increased cistern capacity from 10,000 gallons to 30,000 gallons at the request of the Fire Department;
2. Amended the recording fees to \$20 per each attempt to record a mylar; and
3. Implemented a specific size requirement for concrete and/or granite bounds (4"x4"x4').

Site Plan Review Amendments adopted in 1999:

1. Added provisions for interior access roads for development in a light industrial or commercial zone; and
2. Amended sign size requirements for signs located in a commercial and/or light industrial district.

Again this year, the Planning Board will propose several zoning amendments at the 2000 March Town Meeting. The zoning ballot is expected to include amendments to the article that gives the Planning Board expressed authority to access land (to make the language consistent with the statutes), and to exempt farming/agricultural signs from size requirements.

The Board will also propose a new elderly housing ordinance. It is hopeful that having such an ordinance in place will encourage developers to consider elderly housing options versus conventional 3-4 bedroom homes. Elderly housing increases our tax base without burdening our school system – this is a win-win situation.

Currently being drafted by the Board is an update of the Future Land Use Chapter of the Master Plan. The Master Plan is a guideline that recognizes the Town's future growth pattern and implements plans to address it. One specific plan would be to consider alternative non-

residential uses in town (e.g. professional office parks, retail zones, etc.). The local legislative body (the townspeople) has on numerous occasions expressed their opposition for promoting any additional commercial or light industrial zones. The Board realizing that in an effort to balance the tax rate, other non-residential uses must be allowed. The concept is easy: Open space pays, non-residential uses pay, but residential uses cost the town. Example: The average East Kingston landowner pays approximately \$3,220 in property taxes per year¹. It costs roughly \$6,903 to educate each child in our present school system². So, for every home with one or more children the town has to make up the difference via the tax rate. This does not mean that the Board is opposed to children living in town, it just means that the Board would like to promote other non-residential uses that are palatable to the residents to balance this tax burden. Your ideas are important to the Board. Please attend any of the regularly scheduled meetings or call the Selectmen's Office to get on the agenda.

The Planning Board continues to rely on the advice and expertise of the Rockingham Planning Commission (RPC). Sarah Campbell, East Kingston's RPC Planner, works collectively with the Board to maintain and improve our ordinances and regulations.

East Kingston Planning Board members who served in the year 1999 are: Richard A. Smith, Sr., Chairman; Edward C. Johnson, Vice Chairman; John (Jack) L. Fillio, Ex-officio; Raymond R. Donald, Ex-officio (3/99-6/99); Dr. Robert (Doc) Marston; Beverly A. Fillio; and Alternate members: Peter A. Riley, David Morse, and Robert Nigrello.

*Respectfully,
Richard A. Smith, Sr., Chairman*



¹ 1999 total tax bill was \$2, 750,010.00 divided by 854 tax bills (total parcels) equals the average tax bill of \$3,220.15.

² This figure is for the 1999-2000 school year and it does not include transportation, special education or lunch program costs. Source: SAU #16 Assistant Superintendent Barbara Lobdell.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

As in previous years, the Town has hired, trained and lost several qualified police officers to other departments offering full-time positions. This is typical of most departments; hire, train, lose, and the cycle repeats itself. Finding and keeping qualified, part-time officers is very difficult. The 1999 figures show that 2,546 full-time and 1,637 part-time officers are currently employed in the State of New Hampshire. It wasn't too many years ago that the number of part-time officers outnumbered full-time officers, but it appears the trend is changing.

With this in mind, I have asked the Selectmen to consider allowing me to apply for a federal grant that would award three years of funding to the town for a full-time officer. The Selectmen have granted my wish and I will apply so that if and when a grant becomes available in the year 2000, we will be eligible. I would hope the Town would support another full-time officer, as this is the direction of law enforcement.

As done in the past, we are continuing to update our equipment and increase the training of our officers. In 1999 we replaced our oldest radar unit with a new state of the art unit, which has the capabilities of catching speeders coming toward or going away from the cruiser – this helps us, but obviously not the speeder. We also replaced some of our body armor, which is six years old. The newer generation vests are much lighter, more comfortable and it offers greater protection for the officers. Some vests were replaced in 1999 and the balance of them will be replaced in the year 2000.

As to the Department's ongoing training, we have sent four officers to an auto-defibrillator course and we are in the process of soliciting private funds to purchase at least one defibrillator unit for a cruiser, (our goal is to purchase two). If successful, all of our officers will be trained in defibrillator use, thus being able to help our rescue personnel on medical emergencies.

Keeping in mind that the police officer is often the first person to arrive on the scene of a medical emergency, this Department along with the Fire Department, has sponsored two officers to attend a First Responders course. Officer Mark Heitz and Sgt. Reid Simpson have both successfully completed this training. I plan to send several other officers to complete this training, which will augment our capabilities in responding to medical emergencies.

The following is not intended to frighten you, but to enhance public awareness.

This past year the number of juvenile problems in town have remained the same, however, juvenile incidents have been of a more serious nature, some of which involve both drugs and weapons. I bring this to the attention of East Kingston parents because they are usually the first line of defense in prevention and would see changes in their children's behavior long before we would. We usually only see the end result. Please be aware that drugs and weapons go hand in hand within the drug culture. Some signs of potential problems include rebelliousness to parents and school authorities, dislike of school, alienation, truancy, placing more value on independence than achievement, more peer-oriented than parent oriented in their value systems, low self-esteem, unexplained missing items, and lying.

These things *might* be an indication of a drug problem. If you have any suspicions about your child and desire help, please call us at 642-5427. We will work with you in every way possible to help resolve the problem.

As many of you might know, there was a burglary in Town that turned out to be a major case. Through the efforts of Sgt. Simpson, Daryl English was identified, arrested and indicted, along with an accomplice, on 17 burglary and 10 theft charges within Rockingham County (possible charges in Maine as well). Mr. English is now looking at 20 to 50 years in prison.



Finally, as I stated last year, please remember that communication between you and your police department will help to achieve our common goal, which is to protect, serve, and continue to make East Kingston the fine place it is.

Respectfully,
Henry F. Lewandowski, Jr., Police Chief

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

	1998	1999
Arrests	48	56
Assaults	3	1
Assists To Other Departments	149	163
Burglaries	1	1
Domestic Complaints	18	25
Driving While Intoxicated Arrests	4	10
Fatalities	1	0
Juvenile Petitions	3	3
Miscellaneous Service Calls	1419	1454
Motor Vehicle Accidents - Non Reportable	2	13
Motor Vehicle Accidents - Reportable	21	21
Motor Vehicles Summons Issued	308	371
Motor Vehicles Warnings Issued	1831	1690
Motorist Assists	53	78
Sexual Assaults	0	2
Stolen Vehicles	1	2
Thefts	15	9
Total Man Hours	5,300	6,079
Total Patrol Mileage	50,745	54,760



RECREATION

East Kingston Recreation had another great year in 1999. While our youth sports programs continued to grow, we also offered some super programs and events like Ballroom Dancing and the Bingo Tent at Old Home Day. A complete list of the programs and events we had for 1999 are as follows:

- Baseball & Softball
- Fall Soccer
- Basketball
- Indoor Soccer
- Adult Volleyball
- Fishing Derby



- Baseball Clinics
- Soccer Clinics
- Old Home Day/Clambake
- Halloween Dance
- Tree lighting, hay ride visit from Santa Claus.
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Indoor Golf Lessons

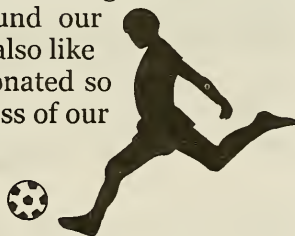
For 2000, we are hopeful to repeat each of the programs and events and add some others as well. East Kingston Recreation Department is pleased to offer these programs and events without the need to increase the Recreation Budget for the year 2000.



I am stepping down as Recreation Chairman as of December 31, 1999 so that I may have more time to devote to the needs of my family and business. As I have done for the past five years, I will continue to coach in our youth sports programs. And I will remain on the Recreation Committee for the next year to help in any way I can and to ensure a smooth transition to new leadership.

I would like to thank the residents of East Kingston for their generosity each year when they vote to fund our department in the town budget. And I would also like to thank those residents of our town who donated so much of their time and resources to the success of our Recreation Department programs and events.

Respectfully,
Michael C. Moore, Chairman



RECYCLING

(As it is in East Kingston)

There has been a dramatic increase in recycling participation by the citizens of East Kingston. The need to recycle has become inevitable and the realization of that fact is a good thing. However, all of our efforts can be improved in some way. For example: by placing garbage and construction trash (non-recyclable material) out for curbside pickup and not in the recycling bins. If a bin is too contaminated, as determined by Waste Management, it will be processed with the non-recyclable trash and charged to the Town.

Looking at the good side: uncontaminated recycled material is removed at no cost to the Town. This is a win-win situation, which proves that diligent recycling saves you money.

Presently we have four bins in the recycling area. There are two large green bins, which are used for cardboard. We request that all boxes be broken down flat before placing them into the bin because of limited space. Next in line is a long maroon colored bin which is used for commingle material such as glass and plastic bottles, aluminum and steel cans. If you would like to dispose of clean packaging peanuts, please do not place them in the commingle recycling bin. They may be dropped off at Exeter Packaging, 150 Front Street, Exeter. The remaining maroon bin is used to store newspapers, paper bags, magazines and miscellaneous paper.

An attendant is present at the recycling area on Saturday from 7:30 AM to about 11:45 AM to help anybody and answer questions or talk about the weather or anything else that may be of interest.

Respectfully,
Gene Madej, Committee Member



ROAD AGENT

In the calendar year of 1999 normal summer maintenance of roadside mowing, brush cutting, filling of potholes, and sign repairs were performed. Capital improvements were made to the following roads:

George Street was reconstructed and received a base coat of pavement. Sanborn Road received a second layer of pavement. A section of Giles Road was reconstructed and paved. It is anticipated in the year 2000 that another section of Giles Road will be reconstructed and paved.

Although the first months of winter 1999 were stormy and required snow and ice removal, the last part of winter 1999 did not.

Respectfully,
Robert L. Rossi, Road Agent



ROCKINGHAM PLANNING COMMISSION

During 1999, the Rockingham Planning Commission (RPC) provided the Town of East Kingston with a wide variety of assistance. The RPC Planner, Sarah Campbell attended eleven monthly meetings and five work sessions of the Planning Board. She prepared numerous drafts for amendments to the Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision Regulations, and Site Plan Review as well as submitted applications for various grants on behalf of the Town, all of which required numerous hours of research and careful planning.

In addition to assistance provided directly to East Kingston, the town benefited from regional planning activities and services carried out by the Commission on behalf of its member communities. During 1999 these included:

LAND USE PLANNING - Provided National Flood Insurance Program assistance to communities in the region, continued to assist the Exeter River Watershed Association and Rockingham Land Trust in their continued efforts to protect the Exeter River, maintained the Developments of Regional Impact Committee, and organized and administered the sixth year of a local match planning grant program for non-coastal communities using grant funds received from the Office of State Planning.

RPC continued to represent the region on the NH Estuaries Project Management Committee and it began development of a comprehensive water resource map for the region. RPC also continued development of in-house Geographic Information System (GIS) for use in local and regional planning, prepared and distributed our annual zoning and building code amendment calendar, and developed new model standards for highway access management. They continued to maintain and update their library of model ordinances, acted as a point of contact for regional residents that had concerns with the natural gas pipeline project, they participated in a state-wide effort directed toward standardizing soils information for development purposes.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS - RPC assisted in the organization of and hosting of several workshops, distributed planning multimedia to area towns, maintained its roles as the State Census Data Center Affiliate, and helped fund and work with the Office of State Planning and other regional agencies to develop a new technical bulletin regarding the preservation of agriculture.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING - During 1998, the RPC, as staff to the Seacoast Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO), continued to carry out the federally mandated metropolitan planning process. Having this process in place ensures that federal transportation funds will continue to be available to the region. They developed an Access Management Manual for local land use boards, provided assistance to both the PATAC and COAST transportation organizations, assisted with the Boston to Portland rail project, and provided assistance and data for area traffic counts and highway planning groups.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - RPC provided assistance to the Rockingham Economic Development Corporation (REDC), the locally non-profit corporation comprised of local officials in Rockingham County.

Prepared by the Rockingham Planning Commission.

Respectfully,
Lawrence K. Smith, RPC Commissioner
James Roby Day, Jr., RPC Commissioner



SAFETY COMMITTEE

The Town of East Kingston Safety Committee was established in 1995 based on the Workers' Compensation statutes to provide safe environments in the workplace. The Safety Committee met quarterly throughout the year to discuss safety issues of the town-owned buildings. The following members attended the meetings on a regular basis: Police Chief Henry F. Lewandowski, Jr., Fire Chief Alan Mazur, Library Trustee Conrad Moses and Administrative Assistant Deborah G. Gallant.

The Committee performs an annual inspection of each town-owned building. Based on the inspections, the Committee, in their advisory role, addresses any suggestions or recommendations to the Board of Selectmen for any action to be conducted. The following recommendations were suggested and the Board of Selectmen agreed to take the following actions on the Town owned buildings:

Town Hall: Exit signs were posted at all doors, excess clutter was removed, and the outside lighting was improved.

Police Station: The front entry door was repaired.

Town Offices Building: Exit signs were posted and a ladder in the hallway was secured.

Library: Two smoke detectors were installed.

The Committee recommended and the Board of Selectmen approved a bucket of calcium chloride be placed at each town-owned building during the winter months to prevent slipping, tripping and accidents due to icy conditions. The Committee also recommended that spring-cleaning be performed on a regular basis at all of the town-owned buildings to prevent the build up of unnecessary clutter.

The Committee stressed a recommendation to the Board to secure the Police Station/EOC/Fire House with a security system. It was not approved in the 1999 budget, but will be included in the 2000 budget.

The Committee also discussed at each meeting the following topics: Safety issues and precautions regarding each building, reviewed any workers' compensation claims filed, reviewed and reinforced good proper safety procedures, safety tips, and information for publication in the East Kingston Newsletter.

Meetings were held in January, April, July and October 1999. The Town was fortunate to not have any workers' compensation claims filed in 1999. The following tentative dates have been scheduled for meetings in 2000: January 18th, April 18th, July 18th, and October 17th, 2000. Meetings are held at a different town-owned building each time, therefore making it easier to perform the inspections. The Committee strives to maintain each building be in good order to prevent any unsafe circumstances.

The Committee files the biannual Safety Summary report and the NH Department of Labor monitors its filing. The Committee filed on January 1, 1999 and will file again on January 1, 2001.

Respectfully,
Deborah G. Gallant, Chairman

SELECTMEN



Don Andolina



Jack Fillio



Ray Donald

In completing the 261st year of our incorporation as a town, we are pleased to report that we were able to survive unscathed, all of the portents that surrounded the new millennium. We experienced no disruptions, incurred no resulting major expenses, and town equipment continued to perform as expected. Best of all, despite the substantial overrun of the legal budget, we were able to live within the overall budget of \$765,000. In fact, actual expenditures amounted to \$747,106 leaving a favorable balance of nearly \$18,000. We hasten to give some credit to mother nature for delaying the winter until after we were able to safely cross into the new year.

Perhaps the most significant challenge of this past year was the adequate funding of public education. If you were following our monthly newsletter articles you would agree that getting through it all was frustrating, full of suspense, and as politically charged as any presidential campaign could be. The good news of course was that our tax rate declined by \$2.45 per thousand. Actual school tax rates went from \$26.76 to \$22.87 per thousand, down \$3.89. The bad news is that the story is not over. Twenty-nine New Hampshire donor towns have or are planning to appeal to the New Hampshire Supreme Court, stating in part that the method of taxation employed was unfair. What does this mean to us? In our view, we must continue to exercise fiscal responsibility and take care not to depend on recurring benefits from the State Property Tax. Should the Supreme Court agree with the complaining towns, the scramble for funding would most likely resume, thereby leading us to; we know not where.

As discussed above, the legal budget went into orbit during 1999, largely a result of enforcing zoning ordinance violations. The approved budget of \$20,000 was over-spent by \$14,400. Nearly 65 cents of every dollar was spent on enforcement. There are those who complain that the Selectmen do not enforce the ordinances, and perhaps those who lament that we spend too much time as enforcers but the facts are that enforcement is expensive and costs will continue to rise as more ordinances are approved by the legislative branch (voters) of our town government. Accordingly, the proposed legal budget for the year 2000 is \$30,000 representing an increase of 50% or \$10,000.

Last year we reported that we had formulated an Employee Benefits and Compensation Plan to assure that persons hired would meet the minimum qualifications for the position and, that compensation and benefits would be given out fairly to all covered employees. One other key element of the plan called for an annual performance review to assure employee growth in the respective position and to measure and reward performance accordingly. This year marked the first complete year of the plan and we believe that it has met all expectations. Attracting and retaining good quality help is essential for us if we are to meet your expectations for service levels. Consistent with that goal, the annual salary increase was set at 4%, well within our benchmark of keeping increases at or below the annual growth of taxable values. This year's increase in taxable values was 8.9%. In conclusion, the bottom line cost of fairly compensating your employees under this plan represented only \$2.12 per thousand on your tax rate, an increase of 17 cents.

Town efficiency in part depends on a level of office automation consistent with demands on service made by its citizens as well as Federal and State agencies. Without adequate automation we would be faced with delays in service and perhaps the need for increased labor costs. Hence, we have replaced two older computers in the town offices, which resulted in a reduction in the time needed to enter and process the various transactions and correspondences inherent with office activities. Those computers were leased for 3 years at a cost of approximately \$45 each per month. The replaced computers are designated to be deployed to the Police and Fire departments so that they too may apply the tools of automation where necessary. The office photocopier was also upgraded. Due to the volume of copies produced each month, we were experiencing high maintenance costs and frequent failures. The monthly newsletter was taking an enormous amount of time to produce. The new copier has overcome

that problem handily. Now, newsletter production (copier time) has been cut in half and all without any increase in monthly cost. The cost factor was a direct result of intensive negotiations coupled with competition of interested vendors.

In closing your Board of Selectmen wishes to express appreciation to the various town officers, department heads, committee members and employees, for their dedicated service during this past year. It was indeed a pleasure for us to work with all of you.

Finally, may we point out that participation of our townspeople in committees and in the various appointed town offices is the very cornerstone of the Town Meeting form of government. If you would like to participate in community activities please contact any of your Selectmen or call the town offices.

Respectfully,

Donald C. Andolina, Chairman

John L. Fillio

Raymond R. Donald



TRUSTEES OF THE CEMETERY

We are pleased to report that we were able to continue with our beautification program at both the Hillside and Union Cemeteries. At Hillside, several more flowering trees were planted and more paving of the lanes was completed. Six more giant arborvitaes lining the inter-connecting lanes were removed to make way for vehicular travel. As stated in last year's report, the trees encroached upon the travel lanes and were costly to maintain. We will continue to remove a few more as necessary during 2000.

At the Union cemetery, a beautiful granite bench donated by Nancy Reiss, was placed in the southwest area of the cemetery. The bench, which is in a well-shaded location, will be a pleasant place for cemetery visitors to rest on a hot summers day. Also, lovely dwarf pink rose bushes were planted along the granite wall facing South Road. We were not able to get our well dug this year, but have succeeded in finding a local contractor to dig the well in the southeast

corner abutting the Monahan farm. We expect an early summer completion.

As in recent years, our school children marched to the Union Cemetery to place flags at veteran's graves and to participate in a Memorial Day ceremony. Several students recited Memorial Day Essays, which they had composed. Each and every essay made those in attendance reflect on the true meaning of the day. An excerpt of one written by Adam Moser is included in this report: *"Memorial Day: I think it is important to remember the people who died for their countries because they are the ones who gave their lives so their country could have a better life. If they did not give their lives, some countries would not be free right now, including our country. If Memorial Day was not celebrated, the people who gave their lives would not be recognized for what they did."*

Leo Metcalf, the son of Ronald and Barbara Metcalf, has completed his Oak Hill Cemetery project. The objective of the project was to document and place permanent markers at the graves in the Oak Hill Cemetery. As you may know, the years have taken a toll on the monuments and in particular the epitaph engravings. Leo began the project in November of 1998, which was completed in the fall of 1999. In summary, he had to layout the cemetery as a grid, identify and document those buried there and implant permanent grave markings. The completion of this project assures the preservation of an important part of East Kingston's history. Leo took on the challenge as part of his Eagle Scout program. He enlisted the help of several members of his troop; Jon LeMatrie, Mike and Pat Hastings, Matt Nevins, Jay Walsh, Adam Kubic, and his father Ron Metcalf. The stainless steel markers used were made and donated by TRI-C and in particular; Mr. George Chauncey, Mr. Mike Carey and Mr. Richard Cook. Another by-product of the project is a plot plan, which is being developed by Mr. Dennis Quintal. The Trustees wish to publicly thank all who have helped in making Leo's project such a great success, and in particular, we applaud and commend Leo for his tremendous effort. He has met the project goals in every way to the fullest extent possible. A sincere thank you Leo for a job well done.

Projects planned for 2000 include the following:

- Dig a water well – Union Cemetery.

- Plant dwarf rose bushes at the Oak Hill and Hillside Cemeteries.

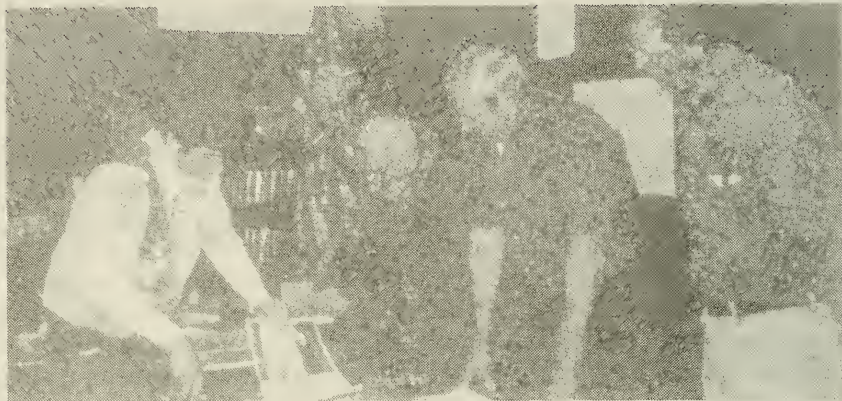
- Continue tree planting – Hillside and Union.

- Continue road repairs - Hillside.

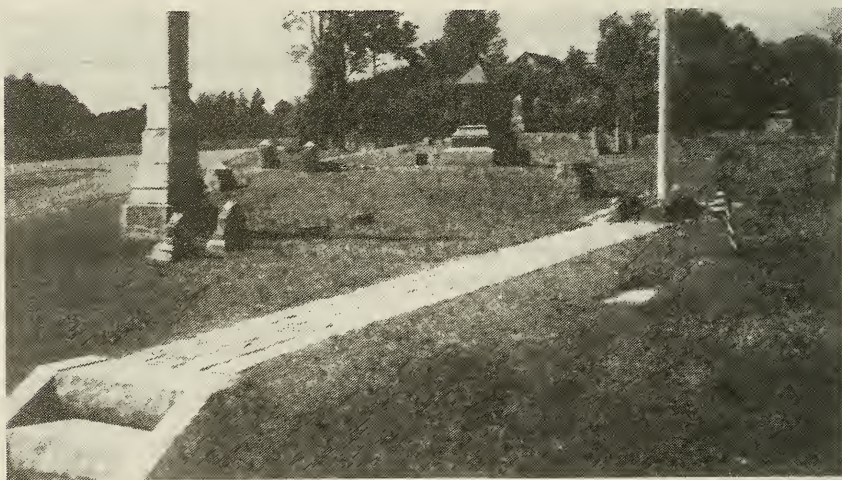
- Tree trimming and removal as necessary.

In closing, we extend our appreciation to all who have helped us make 1999 a successful year, and we take this opportunity to announce that persons having business with the Trustees should call the Town Offices for an appointment. The Trustees plan to meet on the third Wednesday of each month during 2000.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald C. Andolina, Chairman
Vytautas Kasinskas, Bookkeeper
Henry F. Lewandowski, Secretary



Left to Right: Eagle Scout Leo Metcalf, Cemetery Trustees Eugene Madej, Donald Andolina, Henry Lewandowski, Jr., Vytautas Kasinskas



Granite walkway at Union Cemetery

Cemetery Rules and Regulations

The rules and regulations as set forth here-in apply to all Cemeteries and are intended to preserve and protect the beauty and character of our cemeteries and to ensure proper care and maintenance consistent with the respect due to the deceased.

Section I - General Provisions:

1. The Trustees, Sexton and their employees shall have the right at all times to enter upon any lot or other parts of the cemetery to perform their duties, and they shall have right to remove, or cause to be removed, any tree, shrub or device which they may consider detrimental, dangerous, inconvenient to the proper functioning of the cemetery, or in violation of any rule of the cemetery.
2. The Sexton is authorized to make any emergency rule for the proper conducting of the cemetery that the exigencies of the occasion may require, but such rules shall be subject to approval of the Trustees.
3. Automobiles are permitted on roadways only and then as a privilege, not as a legal right.
4. Heavy trucking is excluded from the cemetery, except by written permission of the Sexton.
5. Damages caused by motor vehicles operated within the cemetery will be charged to the owner of said vehicles.
6. The Sexton having care of the cemetery is authorized to remove all persons who violate cemetery rules and is directed to cause the violators to be prosecuted.
7. The cemetery is closed to all persons from sunset to dawn and no person or persons shall enter the cemetery except the Trustees, Sexton or their employees.
8. No cement may be poured after October 31st.
9. All cemeteries are closed between December 15th and April 15th, during which time no burials will be permitted. Exceptions may be granted in writing by the Trustees at their sole discretion provided that the cemetery grounds are: not frozen and/or not covered by snow.

Section II - Purchase of Lots:

1. Persons desirous of purchasing a burial lot shall apply to the Trustees of the Cemeteries, who shall provide necessary information as to size, location, cost etc.
2. Applications for lots must be accompanied by full payment including the cost of granite markers, and no assignment or reservation of a lot may be made in advance.
3. No lot shall be sold to anyone other than a legal resident of East Kingston, and then only with perpetual care.
4. All deeds to lots sold shall be recorded with the Town Clerk, by the Trustees of the Cemeteries.
5. Burial Lots shall be sold under one name only, and each lot shall have corner posts as specified by the Trustees.
6. Burial lots and locations are assigned by the Sexton as directed by the Trustees.
7. Assignment or transfer of deeds by whatever means, is prohibited except that deeds may be assigned or transferred to the Trustees of the Cemeteries with full refund of the moneys paid.
8. In the event a deed is lost or the owner is unknown, it shall be the duty of anyone claiming the lot to provide proper affidavits (as determined by the Trustees) to satisfy the claim.

9. Any failure to comply with the conditions of sale shall result in the forfeiture of all moneys paid thereon, and said lot or lots shall be immediately returned to the possession of the cemetery.

Section III - Interments:

1. No burial may be made in a lot until paid in full and the deed is issued and properly recorded with the Town Clerk.
2. It shall be the duty of the Sexton to determine which grave in the lot is to be used and to require advanced payment of the cost of the grave opening and other administrative fees as may be assessed by the Trustees.
3. Burials shall be made in a suitable vault in accordance with the specifications of the Trustees of the Cemeteries.
4. In the event the Sexton is shown the wrong grave location, it shall be the duty of said funeral director or other person ordering the burial to pay the costs of removal and re-burial.
5. No grave shall be opened for interment or for removal except by permission of Sexton, and the cost of such opening shall be paid for in advance.
6. Any failure to comply with the provisions of this section and with the order of the Trustees, may cause the remains that have been interred thereon to be removed to such portion of the cemetery as may be selected by them. All associated costs of such removal shall be assessed to the person or persons responsible for the non-compliance.

Section IV - Monuments and Stones:

1. All Monuments and Markers before being placed, must be approved in writing by the Trustees. This provision includes but is not limited to Type, Size and Placement.
2. Monuments and markers are not allowed until the lot is paid for in full and then only as specified in (1) above.
3. No monument, headstone, curbing or other structure will be allowed to be erected unless it rests on a foundation built of solid masonry, with good cement or mortar and from 2 to 6 feet deep and finished 2 inches below grade as the Sexton shall direct.
4. No curbing around lots, corner posts, platforms, urns, steps or buttresses will be allowed, except by written approval of the Trustees.
5. No tablet or other device of wood, fences or hedges are permitted.
6. Monuments and Headstones may only be set between May 1st and November 15th.

Section V - Care and Maintenance of lots:

1. No person except the Sexton or his designee shall be allowed to perform any work on any lot or parcel of ground within the Cemetery, without a written permit from the Sexton.
2. No hedges, trees, flowers or shrubs may be planted without the written approval of the Sexton.
3. Flowers, wreaths, flags, etc., left on the graves of lots will be removed as soon as possible after they fade. The Trustees are not responsible for anything left on lots.
4. Glass containers are not permitted on graves but other flower containers may be placed upon graves except that they may not be embedded into the ground.
5. Plastic or artificial shrubbery, flowers or wreaths are not permitted.

TRUSTEES OF THE LIBRARY



As we enter the millennium it is appropriate and interesting to look at the first report of the East Kingston Library. The following is the February 11, 1895 report.

At the annual meeting held in March 1894, the town accepted the provisions of the "State Library Bill", and voted to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen dollars for the support and maintenance of a free public library. The following named persons were elected for Trustees of the same: Laura O. Philbrick, Mary B. Tuck, and Nathaniel E. Tuck.

The Trustees held there first meeting March 20, 1894, organizing with Laura O. Philbrick, Chairman, Mary B. Tuck, Secretary, Nathaniel E. Tuck, Treasurer, and measures were taken, at once, for obtaining books from the state.

The "Union Library Association" established in 1829 kindly donated their books and case. In June 108 volumes were received from the state, 35 volumes from the "Union" and the "East Kingston Public Library" was opened on July 11th at the residence of Alberto F. Crowell with Mrs. A.F. Crowell, Librarian.

The library now contains 165 volumes. It has been opened 62 times, 60 cards have been issued and 540 books loaned. No book has been added by purchase for the lack of funds. Donations have been gratefully received from Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Rowell and Mrs. N.E. Tuck.

LAURA O. PHILBRICK
MARY B. TUCK

NATHANIEL E. TUCK
East Kingston, Feb. 11, 1895

Today the East Kingston Public Library is located in its own building. It contains over 9,000 books, 30 different magazines, 100 books on tape, and 50 large print books. In addition, the library offers new services such as Internet searches, inter-library access, preschool reading programs, summer reading projects, adult programs, and craft and reading programs for children.

We have an energetic and forward-looking staff consisting of the librarian, Tracy Waldron, the assistant librarian, Diane Sheckell, and the library aide, Barbara Belmonte. We would like to congratulate

Tracy for completing the Library Techniques Certificate Program in June. The library staff had a busy, exciting and challenging year of service to the public, developing and presenting the special programs mentioned above and getting the library catalogue system automated. Phase one of the computerization of the catalogue system was completed this year. Phase two will begin with the issuing of new library cards and will end with a fully computerized search system. The children's area is now better defined. All of the children's non-fiction and fiction books are contained in one area and are clearly and tastefully labeled. This setup makes it easier for the children to see what is available.

The East Kingston Public Library is fortunate to have the support of so many individuals, families, the anonymous display decorator", the Garden Club, and the Friends of the Library. The Friends of the Library has been extremely generous by donating large print books, books on tape, financing the Fairytaler production, providing materials and decorating in the winter with beautiful wreaths and colorful red bows. They also helped with the completion of the automation of the library distribution system by purchasing a laminator required to produce new library cards. We should also recognize our "anonymous display decorator". She creates an interesting and informative display at least once a month. Special events are highlighted, books related to the events are displayed (they can be taken out) and she provides prizes. Just in case you missed the display area take a look the next time you visit the library.

The Trustees want to thank everyone for her and his support of the library and for making 1999 an exciting and successful year.

Respectfully,

Joan W. Kasinskas, Chairperson

Beverly A. Fillio, Vice-Chairperson

Carol A. Davis, Secretary

Conrad V. Moses, Treasurer

Shirley A. Hammershoy, Public Relations

VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

The East Kingston Volunteer Firemen's Association remains actively involved with the Fire Department, and a myriad of other civic endeavours in our Town. The Association began its second fifty years with goals and hopes essentially unchanged since 1948. Our membership is quite intentionally diverse and all-inclusive, and we are thusly able to involve ourselves in a variety of ways to support our Town, as well as raise money for specific Fire Department needs.

1999 was a very busy year, to say the least. The biggest single undertaking was the configuration and assembly of "F1", our new Forestry truck, and when it is rolled out in the early spring, we will have an extraordinary piece of equipment to present to the Fire Department. It will lend itself to a wide variety of uses, and it is anticipated the Fire Department will employ it, together with the new ambulance, for fire and rescue calls of every description. The vehicle's compactness will allow its use off the road in hard-to-get-to spots, and its fire suppression capability features a mechanical foam system that significantly magnifies the effectiveness of any volume of water. We are happy and grateful to acknowledge and thank Messrs. Greg Hill of *Granite State Truck and Equipment Refinishing* and Dick Cook of *Tri-C Manufacturing* for the selfless dedication of their respective firms' time and resources. Without such civic contributions, the assembly of the Forestry truck could not have been so well executed.



The Association remains the sponsor for both Boy Scout Troop 92 and Cub Scout Pack 92. We prepared the 1999-2000 Community Calendar, and distributed it to every household in East Kingston together with the Town Report for Town Meeting '99. We also "sponsored" Santa Claus, with the help of our Police Department, on Christmas Eve. Santa managed to appear in two different places at the same time, greeting children from his sleigh at both ends of Town

simultaneously. These kinds of activities come with a price, however, and the Association raised the necessary funds with chicken BBQ dinner sales at Kingston Days and Newton's 250th anniversary and Old Home Day, tent rentals, and hamburger/hotdog sales at our own Old Home Day. Yet, a major portion of our working capital continues to be contributions from friends and neighbors, for which we are truly grateful. With the money we received in 1999, we were able to buy critical components for the Forestry truck, in addition to dry hydrant system parts, and repair and improve the firehouse itself.

2000 promises to be an adventure-packed year. Besides the pressing need to get the Forestry truck into service, we are faced with having to replace the two front equipment bay doors. The present doors' size is vintage 1948, and was designed to accommodate fire equipment from half a century ago. As a consequence, our present fire trucks just barely fit through them, and any new vehicle would have to be customized for size at considerable cost to the Town. The Association plans to replace the doors with a taller, wider, roll-up style, and renovate the entire front face of the firehouse in the process. We will use only Association assets and talent to do it, and in doing so, will save all us taxpayers a considerable expense, as well as enable the Town to buy replacement fire equipment more or less off-the-shelf, rather than the more costly, customized kind.

Our membership continues to grow. In years past, the Association consisted primarily of Fire Department fire fighters and rescue personnel, but in the last ten years or so, increased interest and involvement in the Association's work has attracted those who want to participate in the Town's life and activity. We encourage everyone to come see what the Association is all about, to see the fruits of our labor and your contributions, and consider becoming a member. It is instructive to note that our Fire Department responded to 112 calls in 1999... that is more than 2 calls per week for fire and rescue. Every year the number of responses grows, yet the Department has managed to meet the commitment in an environment of restricted funding, with a limited number of people who can dedicate the necessary time and energy. The Association feels strongly that East Kingston is well served by its Fire Department, and we take great satisfaction in supporting it and our Town. The future will demand even greater support and involvement from us all, and we welcome your participation and contributions of every kind.

Respectfully,
Austin R. Carter, Sr., President

WELFARE AGENT

There has been a small increase in assistance offered by the Town for its residents this year, 1999. We had overall five families (18 people) needing assistance this year and only three families (11 people) last year. Most of the families are able to recover and go back to work so that assistance is no longer required.

Rockingham Community Action, Rockingham Nutrition Meals on Wheels and Area Homemakers are programs donating their services to our residents. We had a large donation to our food pantry from Mary Mother of the Church in Newton, NH, which we are grateful for. Also, we want to thank the following for food baskets, turkeys, clothing and gifts: Cathy Wittman, Beverly Fillio, Leona Virnelli, and the East Kingston Elementary School.

Residents of East Kingston who are in need of assistance must fill out a public assistance application at the Selectmen's Office. Applicants are then required to meet with the Board of Selectmen, who will then determine whether or not assistance is warranted. All cases are treated confidentially.

Further information may be obtained by contacting the Welfare Agent at the Selectmen's Office during the normal business hours of Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 2 PM or by calling 642-8406.

Respectfully,

Donald H. Clark, Welfare Agent



ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The East Kingston Zoning Board of Adjustment heard six appeals (two being rehearings), four motions for rehearings, and two requests for variances at public hearings in 1999. The following is a listing of those applications and the decisions rendered by the board.

- 99-01 Thomas Brandolini of 17 Rowell Road filed two appeals from administrative decision. One appeal was regarding the Selectmen's January 25, 1999 decisions to (i) deny an

application for a grandfathered business and (ii) deny a home occupation permit for an automotive repair business.

The second appeal was from the Planning Board's January 21, 1999 decision to recommend that the Selectmen deny an application for a grandfathered business. The Zoning Board of Adjustment denied both appeals based on the lack of evidence presented that the business was in operation prior to January 6, 1989.

- 99-02 Thomas Brandolini of 17 Rowell Road filed a motion for rehearing regarding the Zoning Board of Adjustment's May 13, 1999 decision to deny his aforementioned appeals. Because the motion was not submitted within the 20-day timeframe as provided for in RSA 677:2, the Board had no jurisdiction and the motion could not be considered. (No meeting was necessary.)
- 99-03 Laurie Carbone of 208 Haverhill Road filed an appeal from administrative decision regarding the Planning Board's May 20, 1999 decision to approve a site plan review for Chuck Woodlands Realty Trust in relation to a trucking business named ADMAT Enterprises. The Board denied the appeal, which affirmed the Planning Board's decision.
- 99-04 Dr. George Storm filed (i) an appeal from administrative decision regarding the Planning Board's June 27, 1999 decision to deny a site plan review and (ii) a variance from Articles III and V (districting and permitted uses) in relation to his proposal to operate an educational/agricultural facility on North Road. He ultimately withdrew both requests.
- 99-05 Laurie Carbone of 208 Haverhill Road filed a motion for rehearing regarding the Zoning Board of Adjustment's decision to deny her appeal (case 99-03). The motion was granted and a rehearing was held (see case 99-07).
- 99-06 Deborah Feather of 14 Main Street filed (i) an appeal from administrative decision regarding the Selectmen's June 14, 1999 decision to deny a sign permit for a sign larger than 4 square feet and (ii) a variance from Article IV.F.1 (sign size provisions). The Board denied the appeal, but granted the variance.

- 99-07 Laurie Carbone's rehearing of her appeal from administrative decision (case 99-03) was held. At this rehearing, the Board granted the appeal, thus overturning the Planning Board's original decision to approve a site plan review for Chuck Woodlands Realty Trust.
- 99-08 Charles Marden, Trustee of Chuck Woodlands Realty Trust, filed a motion for rehearing regarding the Zoning Board of Adjustment's decision to grant Laurie Carbone's appeal (case 99-7). His motion was granted and another rehearing of the case was scheduled. (See case 99-09)
- 99-09 Charles Marden's rehearing of Laurie Carbone's initial appeal from administrative decision was held. At this rehearing, the Board denied her appeal, once again affirming the Planning Board's decision to approve a site plan review for Chuck Woodlands Realty Trust.
- 99-10 Laurie Carbone of 208 Haverhill Road filed a motion for rehearing regarding the Zoning Board of Adjustment's decision to deny her appeal (case 99-09). Based on the lack of new evidence submitted and the Board's position that an error had not been made in their case 99-09 decision, the Board denied this rehearing request.

Although it might appear that the Zoning Board of Adjustment couldn't make up its mind in the Carbone/Chuck Woodlands Realty Trust case, the fact of the matter is that each time a new decision was rendered, new evidence supporting each new decision was presented. Furthermore, RSA 677:2 states that within a period of 20 days after an initial decision has been made, any person affected directly by the decision has the right to appeal that decision. In this case, because a new decision was rendered at each hearing and rehearing, the newly aggrieved party could appeal the Board's decision. And, in order for an aggrieved party to appeal to Superior Court, it must first exhaust all appeals and rehearing appeals at the local level.

For informational purposes, please note that the Zoning Board of Adjustment has the authority to hear appeals made regarding decisions rendered in relation to the interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance. Appeals regarding the interpretation or application of the Subdivision Regulations and Site Plan Review Regulations, or any other matter not involving an interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance proceed directly to the Superior Court.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment hears appeals, variance requests and other matters within its jurisdiction on an "as needed" basis; it tries, however, to schedule such meetings on the fourth Thursday of the month. Minutes of each meeting are available for public inspection at the Selectmen's Office.

Members serving in 1999 were: John V. Daly, Chairman, David A. Ciardelli, Vice-chairman, Edward A. Cardone, David C. Boudreau, Norman J. Freeman, and Alternate members Peter A. Riley, James Roby Day, Jr., Richard A. Cook, Nathaniel B. Rowell, and Donald C. Andolina.

Respectfully submitted,
John V. Daly, Chairman

*Beaver Dam situated on property donated to the Town by
Edward & Nancy Smith in 1999. This 43-acre parcel is located off of Giles Road.*



ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SCHOOL DISTRICT

OF

**EAST KINGSTON
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

For the Fiscal Year

1999 - 2000

**East Kingston Elementary
Exeter Region Cooperative
SAU #16**

EAST KINGSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

SCHOOL BOARD

Kevin Fitzgibbon
642-7225
2000

Richard Poelaert
642-3406
2001

Robert Caron
642-5668
2002

TREASURER

Deborah Caron
642-5668
2000

MODERATOR

Robert Donovan
642-8386
2000

CLERK

Thomasina (Tommi) F. Levesque
2000
778-8207

AUDITORS

Mrs. Richard Kelly
642-5566
1999

Estelle Decatur
642-5401
1999

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Dr. Arthur Hanson
775-8653

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Barbara L. Lobdell
775-8653

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER

Paul A. Flynn
775-8653

1999 ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the East Kingston School District was called to order by Moderator Robert Donovan at 1:15 PM, on Saturday, March 6, 1999, at the East Kingston Elementary School, Andrews Lane, East Kingston, NH.

Election of School District Officers will be by ballot on Tuesday, March 9, 1999, along with Town Elections.

1. Mr. Donovan asked for a motion allowing consideration of Article #4 on the School District Warrant prior to action on Article #1 and subsequent articles.

Motion by Robert Caron, seconded by Richard Poelaert, that the meeting discuss and vote on Article #4, concerning changing the existing School Tuition Capital Reserve Fund to the School Building Expansion Fund prior to action on Article #1 and subsequent articles.

Voted: YES
(voice vote)

2. **ARTICLE 4.** To see if the School District will vote to change the purpose of the existing School Tuition Capital Reserve Fund established in 1994 to the School Building Expansion Fund. (2/3rd vote required. The School Board recommends adoption of this Article.)

Motion by R. Caron, seconded by R. Poelaert.

Voted: YES
(voice vote)

3. **ARTICLE 1.** To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$715,765.00) for the construction and original equipping of an addition to the East Kingston Elementary School on land already owned by the District (included in this addition is a room for a public kindergarten program to begin in the 1999-2000 school year) and to authorize the issuance of not more than FIVE HUNDRED AND FIVE THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$505,765.00) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provision of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA

Chapter 33) and to authorize the School Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon: furthermore to authorize the withdrawals of an amount not to exceed TWO HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$210,000.00) which includes estimated accumulated interest from the School Building Expansion Fund created for this purpose. (The School Board recommends this article. A 2/3 ballot vote is required.)

Motion by R. Caron, seconded by R. Poelaert.

Voted: **YES**
(voice vote)

ARTICLE 1 MOTION TO AMEND: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS \$715,765.00) for the construction and original equipping of an addition to the East Kingston Elementary School on land already owned by the District (included in this addition is a room for a public kindergarten program to begin in the 1999-2000 school year) and to authorize the issuance of not more than THREE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-NINE THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX DOLLARS (\$389,286.00) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provision of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the School Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon: furthermore to authorize the withdrawals of an amount not to exceed THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-NINE DOLLARS (\$326,479.00) which includes estimated accumulated interest from the School Building Expansion Fund created for this purpose.

Motion by R. Caron, seconded by R. Poelaert.

Voted: **YES**
(voice vote)

ARTICLE 1 AMENDED MOTION: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS \$715,765.00) for the construction and original equipping of an addition to the East Kingston Elementary School on land already owned by the District (included

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Motion by R. Caron, seconded by R. Poelaert.

At 1:40 PM the polls were opened for a ballot vote. At 2:40 PM the polls were closed. Votes were counted.

Moderator Donovan announced the results of the ballot vote: **119 Yes Votes; 29 No Votes.**

Voted: **YES**
(ballot vote)

4. **ARTICLE 2.** To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$715,765.00) for the construction and original equipping of an addition to the East Kingston Elementary School on land already owned by the District and to authorize the issuance of not more than FIVE HUNDRED AND FIVE THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$505,765.00) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provision of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the School Board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon: furthermore to authorize the withdrawals of an amount not to exceed TWO HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$210,000.00) which includes estimated accumulated interest from the School Building Expansion Fund created for this purpose. (The School Board recommends this article. A 2/3 ballot vote is required.)

Since Article #1 passed, this Article was passed over.

5. **ARTICLE 3.** To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ELEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FOUR DOLLARS (\$11,564.00) for the purpose of paying the interest payments on the bond issue authorized under Article 1 and which will occur during the District's fiscal year 1999-2000. (The School Board recommends this appropriation. This Article to be voted on should Article 1 or 2 pass.)

Motion by Robert Caron, seconded by Richard Poelaert.

ARTICLE 3 MOTION TO AMEND: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of EIGHT THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINETY-SIX DOLLARS AND SEVEN CENTS (\$8,564.07) for the purpose of paying the interest payments on the bond issue authorized under Article 1 and which will occur during the District's fiscal year 1999-2000.

Motion by Robert Caron, seconded by Richard Poelaert.

Voted: **YES**
(voice vote)

ARTICLE 3 AMENDED MOTION: To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of EIGHT THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINETY-SIX DOLLARS AND SEVEN CENTS (\$8,564.07) for the purpose of paying the interest payments on the bond issue authorized under Article 1 and which will occur during the District's fiscal year 1999-2000. (The School Board recommends this appropriation. This Article to be voted on should Article 1 or 2 pass.)

Motion by Robert Caron, seconded by Richard Poelaert.

Voted: **YES**
(voice vote)

6. **ARTICLE 5.** To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE MILLION THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE DOLLARS (\$1,378,159.00) for the support of the schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the District. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

Motion by Robert Caron, seconded by Richard Poelaert.

Voted: **YES**
(voice vote)

7. **ARTICLE 6.** To engage in public discussion regarding the proposal to adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 (Official Ballot Law), which will be voted on by official ballot on March 9, 1999.

No discussion.

Motion by Susan Oelchse, seconded by Mollie Allen to pass on this article.

Voted: **YES**
(voice vote)

8. **ARTICLE 7.** To hear reports of agents, auditors and committees or officers heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.

No reports.

PASSED OVER

9. **ARTICLE 8.** To transact any other business that may come before this meeting.

Barbara Lobdell, Assistant Superintendent asked for the floor to announce, with regret, the Board's acceptance of Principal Anne Goodman's resignation. She complimented and thanked Mrs. Goodman for her 3 1/2 years of excellent service to East Kingston Elementary School.

Mrs. Goodman responded to a standing ovation by thanking all for the cooperation she has received from parents, students and townspeople while she has been Principal, noting how proud she has been to be affiliated with the East Kingston Elementary School.

10. **ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to transact, on a motion by Andrew Berridge, seconded by Richard Poelaert, all in favor, the meeting was adjournment at 2:50 PM.

Respectfully,
Thomasina F. Levesque,
School District Clerk (appointed)

EAST KINGSTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

As I write this, my first town report as your new principal, I feel I must begin by saying how proud I am to be a part of the East Kingston community. I come from small town roots, and when I was given the opportunity to come to East Kingston, I was so pleased to get back into a small town and a small school. As a community, whenever I have called on anyone in the town, I have been met with a cooperative and collaborative spirit, and I must say how much I appreciate that.

I feel I have come to a school filled with dedicated professionals, who put in endless hours of time preparing quality programs for our students. We are committed to providing curriculum that challenges and nurtures our students as learners, and we believe that our purpose is to provide the best education possible for the children of East Kingston. We added several new members to our staff this year. They are:

Cynthia Merrill – First Grade

Debra Simmons – Third Grade

Carol Miller – Fifth Grade

Sara LaCasse – Art

Caroline Thomas – Special Ed Aide

Doris Hayes – Evening Custodian

Cheryl Rossman – Special Ed Aide

Virginia Franzoni – Food Service

JoAnne Phillips – Special Ed Coordinator

Liliane Conlan moved from First Grade to begin our new Kindergarten program, which has been very successful this year. We have 20 students this year and we anticipate 23 kindergarten students next year.

In order to achieve our goal of providing excellence in education, we are continuously involved in staff development opportunities provided through our SAU, within our own school, at conferences and through taking university courses. In the past year we have had staff involved in workshops and courses in math, writing, and reading. Our yearlong emphasis has been dedicated to Literacy, and state and federal grants have provided some of our training and materials to enhance our programs in our school.

Our children always make us proud whenever we have visitors or when we take them on field trips. We have many positive comments about their eagerness to learn and their warmth and fine behavior.

As I have met more and more parents and witnessed their interest and involvement in the school, I am increasingly impressed. We

know that the quality of a school is directly related to the involvement of parents in the education of their children.

We recently were notified that we are recipients of the Blue Ribbon Award. This award is given to schools in the State of New Hampshire where there is a partnership between the school and community. Volunteer hours are recorded over the course of the year, and we must exceed 2000 hours of volunteer time as part of the criteria of selection. In a community and school as small as East Kingston, this is an incredible accomplishment. This exemplifies the commitment on the part of parents and the community members to work together to create the optimum school environment for our youngsters.

We provide an after school enrichment program, which is coordinated by volunteers and taught by volunteers. We encourage the citizens of East Kingston to share their interests, their hobbies, or expertise in areas that might not be provided in the regular school program.

On behalf of the staff and students of East Kingston Elementary School, I would like to thank you, the voters, for supporting the new building addition. The project is nearly complete. The additional space will provide classroom space for our kindergarten program and our additional fifth grade section. There will also be more conference space for the many meetings that take place on any given day, such as school meetings, PTO meetings, recreation department meetings, etc. Every evening the school is used for community activities, from girl and boy scouts to evening sports, such as adult basketball, student basketball, and adult volleyball. We truly have a community school and we hope to create more evening opportunities for adults as time goes on.

As we look to the future we project our school will continue to grow. At present our enrollment is 181 students in K-5; K=20, 1st=17, Multiage=18, 2nd=25, 3rd=29, 4th=32, 5th=40. Our projected enrollment for 2000/2001 is 200 students.

As we grow, we will work hard to maintain the very things that make our school a fine school. It is a school the community can be proud of, and I look forward to working with you as we take it into the new millennium.

Respectfully,
Patricia K. Cushing, Principal

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STAFF

Principal	Mrs. Patricia Cushing
Kindergarten	Mrs. Liliane Conlan
Grade 1	Mrs. Cynthia Merrill
Multiage	Mrs. Maureen Brown
Grade 2	Mrs. Sarah Oppenheimer
Grade 3	Mrs. Debra Simmons
Grade 3	Mrs. Lynne Walker
Grade 4	Mrs. Anne Atkins
Grade 4	Ms. Judith Hayes
Grade 5	Mr. James McMahon
Grade 5	Mrs. Carol Miller
Special Education Coordinator	Ms. JoAnne Phillips
Reading Specialist	Mrs. Evelyn Lord
Music	Mrs. Nancy Leavitt
Art	Ms. Sara LaCasse
Physical Education	Mr. Christopher Roy
School Nurse	Mrs. Tara Prescott
Speech Therapist	Mrs. Jane Edmiston
Occupational Therapist	Mrs. Tracy Janelle
Physical Therapist	Mrs. Sheila Briggs
Administrative Assistant	Mrs. Florence Whicher
Custodian	Mr. Louis George
Part-time Custodian	Ms. Doris Hayes
Instructional Aides	
	Multiage Mrs. Janice Huss
	Grade 1 Mrs. Cynthia Driscoll
	Grade 2 Mrs. Gail Nickerson
	Grade 3 Mrs. Janice Kuegel
	Grade 4 Mrs. Christine Silverman
	Grade 5 Mrs. Sue Davis
Kindergarten	Mrs. Cheryl Rossman
	Mrs. Helen Burnham
	Mrs. Kathleen Barker
	Mrs. Betsy Schulthess
Library Aide	Mr. Peter Fennell
Resource Secretary	Mrs. Mary Russell
Counselor/Home School Coord.	Mrs. Virginia Franzoni
Technology Coord./Spec. Ed.	
Food Service Manager	
Food Service Assistant	

TOTAL ENROLLMENT GRADES 1 THROUGH 5

	K	1	1-2	2	3	4	5	TOTAL
2000	20	27	-	33	29	32	40	181
1999	--	33	-	29	31	39	24	156

PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1998-99

Michael Dube
Holly Garcia
Sonya Healy
Allison Miller
Jeremy Patnaude
Brian Stout

GRADE 1 TO 5 STATISTICS FOR TEN YEARS ENDING JUNE 1999

	Weeks in Year	Number of Boys	Number of Girls	Total Pupils	Average Attendance	Average Absence	Average Membershi p	Percent of Attendance
1989-90	38	53	47	100	98	3	101	97
1990-91	38	57	50	107	104	4	107	97
1991-92	38	62	58	120	195	7	202	96
1992-93	38	76	75	151	136	5	141	96
1993-94	38	78	91	169	144	4	148	97
1994-95	38	74	77	151	153	5	158	97
1995-96	38	67	92	159	151	5	156	97
1996-97	38	70	96	166	162	6	168	97
1997-98	38	66	81	147	142	5	147	97
1998-99	38	71	83	154	151	6	157	97

EAST KINGSTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DETAILED ACCOUNT OF PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2000-2001

ACCT #	DESCRIPTION	1998-1999 ACTUAL	1999-2000 BUDGET	2000-2001 PROPOSED
INSTRUCTION				
1100110	Teacher's Salaries	363,549	450,234	438,955
1100112	Temporary Employees	2,731	6,345	9,425
1100112	SE Temporary Employees	0	550	1,300
1100322	504 Contracted Serv.	0	100	100
1100329	Curriculum Develop.	2,625	2,970	2,970
1100610	Teaching Supplies	7,720	6,757	9,790
1100641	Textbooks	8,106	6,547	7,534
1100733	Furniture	0	418	500
1100737	Replacement Equip.	0	1	1
1100739	Additional Equipment	1,227	1,995	2,000
TOTAL REGULAR EDUCATION		385,958	475,917	472,575
SPECIAL EDUCATION				
1210110	SE Salaries	45,527	33,095	31,658
1210118	SE Aides	35,810	46,248	59,223
121031	SE Professional Svs	7,043	12,305	12,305
1210329	SE Curriculum Dev.	0	540	540
1200270	SE Course Reimb.		1,000	1,000
1210561	SE Tuit. NH Public	688	35,500	6,000
1210562	SE Tuit. Private O/S	0	1	0
1210563	SE Tuit. NH Private	4,408	3,188	7,200
1210580	SE Travel	25	1,000	1,000
1210610	SE Supplies	1,236	3,377	1,777
1210641	SE Textbooks	500	1,530	462
1210733	SE Furniture	0	100	986
1210737	SE Replacement Equip.	100	2,129	856
1210739	SE Equipment	0	0	3,093
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION		95,336	139,013	125,100
OTHER INSTRUCTION				
1410110	Co-curricular Salaries	0	325	325
1410800	Student Body Activities	1,491	4,575	4,575
TOTAL OTHER INSTRUCTION		1,491	4,900	4,900

ACCT #	DESCRIPTION	1998-1999 ACTUAL	1999-2000 BUDGET	2000-2001 PROPOSED
ATTENDENCE SERVICE				
2112120	Attendance Services	0	20	20
TOTAL ATTEND. SALARIES		0	20	20
GUIDANCE SERVICES				
2120110	Guidance Salaries	17,905	17,905	17,905
2120321	Guid. Contracted Serv.	1,395	1,350	1,950
2120610	Guidance Supplies	0	1	212
TOTAL GUIDANCE SERVICES		19,230	19,256	20,067
HEALTH SERVICES				
2130110	Health Salaries	24,590	21,517	24,590
2130321	Professional Services	0	100	100
2130430	Health Maintenance	0	125	125
2130610	Health Supplies	277	288	258
2130641	Health Textbooks	152	155	140
2130739	Health Equipment	104	110	711
TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES		25,124	22,295	25,951
VISION SERVICES				
2139321	Vision Services	8,823	28,578	28,578
TOTAL VISION SERVICES		8,823	28,578	28,578
PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES				
2140321	Psychological Services	4,157	2,000	2,400
TOTAL PSYCHOLOGICAL SERV		4,157	2,000	2,400
SPEECH PATHOLOGY				
2150110	Speech Pathology Salaries	18,514	18,514	37,028
2150321	Related Speech-Summer	0	960	960
TOTAL SPEECH SERVICES		18,514	19,474	37,988
PHYSICAL THERAPY				
2160110	Occupational Therapist	0	12,805	12,805
2160321	Related OT Services	0	800	800
2160322	Physical Therapy Services	1,120	2,500	4,960
TOTAL PHYSICAL THERAPY		1,120	16,105	18,565
IMPROVEMENTS/INSTRUCTION				
2210118	Aides Salaries	31,967	32,972	23,348
2210322	Prof. Svs. Reg Instruction	5,341	5,200	3,150

ACCT #	DESCRIPTION	1998-1999 ACTUAL	1999-2000 BUDGET	2000-2001 PROPOSED
2210323	Prof. Svs. Reg. Instruction	0	0	11,000
2210329	Prof. Svs. SE Instruction	1,125	1,400	1,130
TOTAL IMPROVE. /INSTRUCT.		98,435	39,572	38,628
LIBRARY SERVICES				
2222118	Media Salaries	1,986	3,989	4,380
2222321	Media Contract. Serv.	0	0	0
2222430	Media Maintenance	180	1,000	500
2222610	Media General Supplies	2,648	3,000	253
2222641	Media Textbooks	2,405	3,050	3,874
2222733	Media Furniture	0	1,000	1,000
2222737	Media Replace. Equip.	1,305	0	750
2222739	Media Equipment	0	1,500	1,000
TOTAL MEDIA SERVICES		8,525	13,539	11,757
COMPUTER-INSTRUCTION				
2225100	Computer Tech. Salaries	13,890	14,636	14,636
2225430	Computer Repairs	0	0	1,000
2225532	Data Communications	534	265	0
2225610	Computer Teaching Supp.	0	0	800
2225734	Comp., Network, Equip	4,875	5,500	3,485
TOTAL COMPUTER INSTRUCT.		19,119	20,401	19,921
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION				
2310110	SD Officers Salaries	3,750	4,000	3,200
2312110	SD Secretary Services	0	0	150
2313110	District Treasurer Serv.	0	0	500
2314120	Election Services	0	0	150
2317321	Audit Services	0	1	1
2318321	Legal Services	871	3,000	3,000
2319319	School Board Expenses	4,149	3,000	3,000
TOTAL GENERAL ADMIN.		8,770	10,001	10,001
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT				
2321319	Office of Superintendent	17,690	23,411	22,318
2322321	SLC Expense	0	177	200
TOTAL OFFICE/SUPERINTEND.		17,690	23,588	22,518
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION				
2410110	Principal's Salary	54,808	54,109	56,680
2410115	Secretarial Salaries	18,478	19,023	19,784

ACCT #	DESCRIPTION	1998-1999 ACTUAL	1999-2000 BUDGET	2000-2001 PROPOSED
2410321	Principal Conferences	0	0	500.
2410430	Repair & Maintenance	4,039	4,110	4,800
2410231	Voice Communication	3,981	4,600	4,800
2410534	Postage Fees	0	0	1,200
2410580	Travel	178	200	200
2410610	Supplies	3,407	3,400	4,835
2410737	Furniture	1,500	1	150
2410739	Equipment	6,995	100	500
2410810	Dues & Membership	547	800	800
TOTAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRAT.		93,934	86,343	94,249
FISCAL SERVICES				
2510321	Fiscal Services	9,396	10,481	10,820
TOTAL FISCAL SERVICES		9,396	10,481	10,820
OPERATION OF PLANT				
2610119	Custodial Salary	20,041	21,320	23,920
2610122	Asst. Custodial Salary	4,405	6,888	7,200
2620621	Natural Gas	9,588	11,500	17,333
2620622	Electricity	14,472	12,650	16,866
2620430	Repair & Maintenance	32,202	8,000	8,000
2620521	SMP Insurance	5,959	5,944	7,600
2620523	Treasurer's Bond	160	405	160
2620524	Nurse's Liability Insurance	0	1	1
2620580	Maintenance Travel	0	0	200
2620610	Supplies	9,501	5,000	5,000
2620739	Equipment	0	101	655
TOTAL OPERATION OF PLANT		96,329	71,809	86,935
CARE OF GROUNDS				
2630424	Mowing	0	1	600
TOTAL CARE OF GROUNDS		0	1	600
STUDENT TRANSPORTATION				
2721519	District Contract	38,583	39,231	39,879
2722511	SE Transportation	630	9,000	22,000
2725519	Field Trips	0	1	1
TOTAL STUDENT TRANSPORT.		39,213	48,232	61,880
SUPPORT SERVICES				
2900211	Health Insurance	74,910	119,485	101,544

ACCT #	DESCRIPTION	1998-1999 ACTUAL	1999-2000 BUDGET	2000-2001 PROPOSED
2900212	Dental Insurance	3,389	4,334	4,281
2900213	Life Insurance	1,402	1,609	1,688
2900214	Disability Insurance	4,662	6,215	6,264
2900216	Insurance Buy-out	3,910	0	0
2900231	Retirement Non-certified	0	0	0
2900232	Retirement Certified	14,585	17,785	25,445
2900220	FICA	50,129	57,062	59,780
2900250	Unemployment Comp.	0	1,178	533
2900260	Workers Compensation	2,710	5,861	7,273
TOTAL SUPPORT SERVICES		155,697	213,529	206,818
DEBT SERVICE				
5110910	Debt Serv. - Principal	55,000	50,000	80,000
5120830	Debt Serv. - Interest	39,270	44,596	46,400
TOTAL DEBT SERVICES		94,270	94,596	126,400
TOTAL GENERAL FUND		1,141,200	1,360,000	1,426,671
FOOD SERVICE				
3110570	Food Service Management	0	25,154	26,987
TOTAL FOOD SERVICE		0	25,154	26,987
BLDG ACQUISITION & CONSTRUCTION				
4500710	Site Improvement	20,000	1	1
4500720	Bldg Construction WA#1	0	715,765	0
TOTAL BLDG & CONSTRUCT.		20,000	715,766	1
SPECIAL REVENUES				
5220890	Trust Fund	0	1,900	1,900
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUES		0	1,900	1,900
CAPITAL RESERVE				
5250720	Warrant Article	100,000	0	0
TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE		100,000	0	0
GRAND TOTALS		1,261,550	2,102,820	1,455,559

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
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SCHOOL BUDGET FORM

OF: _____ EAST KINGSTON _____ NH

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year From July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

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| <p>1. Use this form to list ALL APPROPRIATIONS in the appropriate recommended and not recommended areas. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.</p> <p>2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.</p> <p>3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the school clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the above address.</p> |
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Certified That Budget Was Posted With Warrant on (Date): _____

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Please sign in ink.

_____	_____
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THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	WARR. ART.#	Expenditures for Year 7/1/98 to 6/30/99	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FY (NOT RECOMMENDED)
INSTRUCTION (1000-1999) XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX						
1100-1199	Regular Programs		385,957.61	475,917.00	472,575.00	
1200-1299	Special Programs		95,336.46	139,013.00	125,100.00	
1300-1399	Vocational Programs					
1400-1499	Other Programs		1,491.27	4,900.00	4,900.00	
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs					
1600-1899	Adult & Community Programs					
SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999) XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX						
2000-2199	Student Support Services		77,038.05	107,728.00	133,569.00	
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services		66,077.69	73,512.00	70,306.00	
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX						
2310-840	School Board Contingency		8,769.62	10,001.00	10,001.00	
2310-2399	Other School Board					
EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATION XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX						
2320-310	SAG Management Services		17,689.85	23,411.00	22,318.00	
2320-2399	All Other Executive			177.00	200.00	
2400-2499	School Administration Service		94,284.10	86,693.00	94,249.00	
2500-2599	Business		9,396.44	10,481.00	10,820.00	
2600-2699	Operation & Maintenance of Plant		96,328.51	71,810.00	87,535.00	
2700-2799	Student Transportation		39,213.00	48,232.00	61,880.00	
2800-2899	Other Support Service		155,697.31	213,529.00	206,818.00	
3000-3999	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES			25,154.00	26,987.00	
4000-4999	FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION		20,000.00	715,766.00	1.00	
OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999) XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX						
5110	Debt Service - Principal		55,000.00	50,000.00	80,000.00	
5120	Debt Service - Interest		39,270.00	44,596.07	46,400.00	
FUND TRANSFERS XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX						
5220-5221	To Food Service					
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue					
5230-5239	To Capital Projects					
5251	To Capital Reserves		100,000.00			
5252	To Expendable Trust (*see pg 3)			1,900.00	1,900.00	
5253	To Non-Expendable Trusts					
5254	To Agency Funds					
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Alloc.					
	SUPPLEMENTAL					
	DEFICIT					
SUBTOTAL 1			1,261,549.91	2,102,820.07	1,455,559.00	

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	ESTIMATED REVENUES ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES			XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
1300-1349	Tuition				
1400-1449	Transportation Fees				
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments		732.30	1,500.00	1,500.00
1600-1699	Food Service Sales			25,154.00	26,987.00
1700-1799	Student Activities				
1800-1899	Community Services Activities				
1900-1999	Other Local Sources		3,435.72		
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES			XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3210	School Building Aid		16,500.00	14,817.00	14,800.00
3220	Kindergarten Aid			15,000.00	
3230	Catastrophic Aid		4,932.02	1,992.00	
3240-3249	Vocational Aid				
3250	Adult Education				
3260	Child Nutrition				
3270	Driver Education				
3290-3299	Other State Sources	FOUNDATION	306.00		
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES			XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4100-4999	Federal Program Grants				
4540	Vocational Education				
4550	Adult Education				
4560	Child Nutrition				
4570	Disabilities Programs				
4580	Medicaid Distribution		10,820.51		
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (except 4810)				
4810	Federal Forest Reserve				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
5110-5199	Sale of Bonds or Notes			389,286.00	
5221	Transfer from Food Service-Spec.Rev.Fund				
5222	Transfer from Otha Special Revenue Funds				
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds				
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds			326,479.00	

1	2	3	4	5	6
Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	ESTIMATED REVENUES ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES cont.					
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds			1,900.00	1,900.00
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds				
5100-5699	Other Financing Sources				
	EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE	BUY-OUT	7,723.00	7,909.00	7,900.00
	This Section for Calculation of RAN's (Reimbursement Anticipation Notes) Per RSA 198:20-D For Adequacy Grant Borrowing RAN, Revenue This FY _____ less RAN, Revenue Last FY _____ =Net RAN				
5140	This Section for Calculation of RAN's (Reimbursement Anticipation Notes) Per RSA 198:20-D For Catastrophic Aid Borrowing RAN, Revenue This FY _____ less RAN, Revenue Last FY _____ =Net RAN				
	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)				
	Voted From Fund Balance				
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		214.00	20,208.00	61,300.00
	Total Estimated Revenue & Credits		44,663.55	804,245.00	114,387.00

"BUDGET SUMMARY"

SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from page 2)	1,455,559.00
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)	15,000.00
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)	26,518.00
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	1,497,077.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	114,387.00
Less: Amount of Cost of Adequate Education (State Tax/Grant)*	241,793.00
Estimated Amount of Local Taxes to be Raised For Education	1,140,897.00

*Note: You will also be required to pay a State Education Tax RSA 76:3 and you may be required to pay an additional excess education tax in the amount of \$_____.

**EAST KINGSTON
SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the School District of the Town of East Kingston, County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the **East Kingston Elementary School** in said **EAST KINGSTON** on **Tuesday, March 14, 2000** to choose the following School District Officers, by ballot, the polls to open at eight o'clock in the forenoon, and to close not earlier than seven of the clock in the evening.

1. To choose a School Board Member for the ensuing three years.
2. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a School District Clerk for the ensuing year.
4. To choose a School District Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To choose Two Auditors for the ensuing year.

Kevin Fitzgibbon, Chairperson
Richard Poelaert
Robert A. Caron

East Kingston School Board

EAST KINGSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District of the Town of East Kingston, County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon District Affairs:

You have hereby been notified to meet at the **East Kingston Elementary School** in said District on **SATURDAY, THE ELEVENTH DAY OF MARCH, 2000 AT 1:00 PM** to act upon the following subjects:

1. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE MILLION FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE DOLLARS (\$1,378,159.00) for the support of the schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the District. The School Board recommends this appropriation.)
2. To see if the School District will vote to enter in a collective bargaining agreement with the East Kingston Teacher's Association (the union representing the teachers in the School District's school) covering the four year period from September 1, 1999 to August 31, 2003, and approve the cost items included therein containing, in summary: (1) continuation of existing non-salary benefits with the following changes: health insurance coverage continues but teachers will pay 5% of the premium for 2000-2001 year, teachers shall pay 8% of the premium for the 2001-2002 year and the 2002-2003 years; (2) the following salary increase schedule: 1999-2000 – no increase in salaries over 1998-1999; 2000-2001 a salary increase equal to 4.5% over the total of all teachers' salary compensation in the 1999-2000 agreement, including longevity; 2001-2002 a salary increase equal to 5% over the total of all teachers' salary compensation in the 2000-2001 agreement including longevity; and 2002-2003 a salary increase

equal to 5.25% over the total of all teachers' salary compensation in the 2001-2002 agreement including longevity.

The approximate increase in the cost of non-salaried benefits and salary related benefits because of this agreement over the preceding year will be \$0.00 for the 1999-2000 year, \$26,518.00; for the 2000-2001 over the 1999-2000 year (approximately 4.5%) \$31,394.00; for the 2001-2002 over the 2000-2001 year (approximately 5%); and \$34,612.00 for the 2002-2003 over the 2001-2002 (approximately 5.25%).

And further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$26,518.00 for the 2002-2001 year, such sum representing the net additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and salary related benefits and non-salary related benefits (net of health insurance savings) over those included in Article 1, the 2000-2001 budget. (The school Board recommends this appropriation.)

3. To see if the School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000.00) for the purpose of reconfiguring the school's phone system and installing an intercom system and to authorize the use of the amount from the June 30 fund balance for this purpose. (This amount is equivalent to the interest earned on bond proceeds transferred to the general fund on or before June 30.) (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)
4. To hear reports of agents, auditors, and committees or officers heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating there to.
5. To transact any other business that may come before this meeting.

Kevin Fitzgibbon, Chairperson
Richard Poelaert
Robert A. Caron

East Kingston School Board

**THE EXETER REGION
COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT
For the Year Ending
JUNE 30, 1999**

**For the Proposed 2000-2001 Budget
BOARD MEMBERS AND DISTRICT OFFICERS**

Name	Term Expires	Town
David Barr	2000	Stratham
Kimberly Casey	2002	East Kingston
Lucy Cushman	2002	Stratham
Peter Foster	2001	Brentwood
Linda Henderson	2002	Exeter
Greg Kann	2001	Exeter
Roy Morrisette	2000	Exeter
Paul St. Jean, Chairman	2001	Kensington
Ray Trueman	2000	Newfields

School District World Wide Web Site: <http://www.ercsd.k12.nh.us>

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School District Clerk: Vacant

School District Treasurer: Judy Gaiero

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REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD CHAIR

To the voters of the Exeter Region Cooperative School:

The Deliberative Session of the Exeter Region Cooperative School District will be held at 7 PM on February 10, 2000, at the Talbot Gymnasium. During the Deliberative Session the School Board will present to the voters all properly filed warrant articles. At that time those voters may take no action or may amend the warrant articles as presented, except for Article 14, which, by law, cannot be amended. These actions, however, are not final. The warrant articles (amended, as necessary) will be placed on a ballot and must be voted on at the polls on election day, March 14, 2000.

The warrant contains articles 1 through 8, recommended by the School Board, and nine additional articles brought by citizen petitions.

HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

The School Board is presenting via Article 1 of the of the School Warrant the long-awaited proposal to build and renovate a high school that will serve the educational needs of our communities well into the 21st century. Over the past two years, hundreds -- if not thousands -- of hours have been spent by local educators, school alumni, community members, construction personnel, and architects investigating and evaluating school needs and options. The comprehensive proposal being presented to you is the result of their collective efforts. We request your support in meeting this significant step forward toward addressing the physical, safety, and educational needs of our next generation in the 21st century.

ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS

You will continue to see growth in our student enrollment during the next several years. We will experience a five per cent (5%) overall increase in enrollment next year in the School District (grades 6-12). Our seacoast communities continue to be an attractive place to live for many people. A by-product of that growth is an increase in the number of students in our schools. Rather than increasing class sizes, we propose that the operating budget provide for additional professional staff members in response to increased enrollment.

PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET

The School Board and administrators have striven to keep the proposed operating budget at the current level to minimize any tax

increase. The only significant changes proposed are to add staff, as previously stated, and to fund a new proposed labor agreement with the professional staff. Some budget items concerning long-neglected plant maintenance are proposed. No new educational programs have been added to the budget.

SAFETY ISSUES

The issue of school safety has captured every parent and educator's attention. Our administrators, in conjunction with police and fire personnel, have developed an Emergency Response Plan. In addition, the School Board Policy, Personnel and Communication Committee is currently examining a variety of safety issues. These include, but are not limited to, a police presence in our schools, the use of closed-circuit monitors, the introduction of safety checkpoints, the use of adult monitors on school grounds, and the increased use of two-way radios. A great deal of information regarding school safety has been developed over the past year. The current information appears to lead us toward an increased involvement by school personnel along with the use of new technologies. We hope to announce a comprehensive safety program during the coming school year.

NEW SCHOOL LEADERSHIP

Mr. Gerry Frew was hired as our new middle school principal in 1999. Mr. Frew has an extensive background in education in New Hampshire, having previously served as an educator in Londonderry and Hudson. Prior to accepting our middle school position, Mr. Frew served as a middle school assistant principal in Concord, New Hampshire.

Mr. Gary Heald stepped in as interim principal at the high school in the summer of 1999. He was subsequently appointed to the position for a two-year term beginning in July, 2000. Mr. Heald previously held several educational positions in Canada and Maine. He was most recently associated with the Brunswick (Maine) School System.

LABOR AGREEMENT

Collective bargaining sessions took place over a six-month period with the Exeter Education Association. These sessions concluded with an eighteen-hour marathon session involving an outside mediator. This process resulted in a labor agreement that covers a three-year period from September 1, 2000, to August 31, 2003. Regarding payment of medical premiums, the agreement calls for the

professional staff to make a contribution of 5% the first year, 7% the second year, and 10% the third year. The staff would receive an overall increase in salary of 3.6 % the first year and 3.5% in both the second and third years.

SCHOOL ACCREDITATION

During the next school year the New England Association of Schools and Colleges will evaluate our high school, which was last evaluated in 1990. The results of the evaluation will serve as a guideline for future educational issues.

FUTURE PLANNING

Articles 4, 5, and 6 of the warrant address the purchase of additional properties to be used as part of an enlarged high school campus. In the next few years, as the student population approaches 1800 and beyond, these properties will play an important role in our being able to address building needs, traffic concerns and parking needs, and provide athletic fields for our schools and youth groups.

HIGH STANDARDS

The performance of our students in the state-wide testing program in English, Math, Science, and Social Studies has placed our student body in the top 10% of schools in New Hampshire.

Our high school athletic teams continue to be recognized for their excellent behavior in the area of sportsmanship. Our fall athletic program was judged to be number one by coaches and athletic directors in the large-school category in New Hampshire.

Thank you for your continued support. This support has enabled the Exeter Region Cooperative School District to become recognized as one of the top school districts in New Hampshire.

Paul St. Jean, Chair, Exeter Region Cooperative School Board

EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Exeter Region Cooperative School District, County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote upon District affairs: You are hereby notified to meet as follows:

FIRST SESSION: At the High School Talbot Gymnasium in Exeter New Hampshire on Thursday, **February 10, 2000**, at 7:00 p.m. for explanation, discussion, debate, and possible amendment of the following warrant articles:

1. Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,500,000 (gross budget) for the purpose of construction of renovations to the Exeter High School and further for the purpose of acquiring any adjacent land in connection therewith, and further raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,050,000 for the payment of first year's principal and interest on said bonds or notes; \$32,600,000 of such sum (\$35,500,000) to be raised through the issuance of bonds or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 33:1 et seq, as amended, and to authorize the School Board to invest said monies and to use up to \$2,000,000 of the earnings thereon for said project, to authorize the School Board to issue, negotiate, sell and deliver said bonds and notes, and to determine the rates of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof, and to authorize the School Board to take any other action or to pass any other vote relative thereto; and further authorize the withdrawal of \$900,000 from the capital reserve fund under RSA 35:1 established by the 1998 District meeting for the purpose of construction, reconstruction, or acquisition of school buildings and/or school ground site improvements, including associated engineering and architectural fees, for said project; and further authorize the School Board to apply for, accept, and expend for said project money from any state, federal, or other governmental unit or private source which becomes available during the-fiscal year? (A 3/5 vote is necessary to authorize the issuance of said notes or bonds. The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

2. Shall the District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$25,268,823? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$24,514,798, which is the same as last year, with

certain adjustments required by previous action of the District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (The School Board recommends \$25,268,823, as set forth on said budget.)

3. Shall the District enter into a collective bargaining agreement with the Exeter Education Association (the union representing teachers in the District) covering the three (3) year period from September 1, 2000 to August 31, 2003 and approve the cost items included therein? Those cost items include, in summary: (a) continuation of existing non-salary benefits with the following changes: health insurance coverage continues with the teachers' share of the premiums for the "Blue Choice" plan increasing from 0% to 5% in the first year (September 1, 2000 to August 31, 2001), 5% to 7% in the second year (September 1, 2001 to August 31, 2002) and to 10% in the third year (September 1, 2002 to August 31, 2003); and (b) the following salary increase schedule: first year - 3.6% increase over the 1999-2000 rates; second year - 3.5% increase over the 2000-2001 rates; third year - 3.5% increase over the 2001-2002 rates.

The approximate increase in the cost of non-salary benefits and teacher salaries and salary related benefits because of this agreement and step increases for each of the three (3) years (subject to change resulting from changes in the number of and in the educational degrees and years of experience of teachers employed) over the preceding year will be:

\$367,000 in the first year;
\$375,000 in the second year;
\$390,000 in the third year.

And, further, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$367,000 for the 2000-2001 year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and salary and non-salary related benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

4. Shall the District acquire 32,060 square feet, more or less, of land being a 213.59 foot, more or less, by 150.1 foot, more or less, portion of Parcel 63 on Exeter Tax Maps 82 and 83 and raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 for the purpose of acquiring said land? This is a special warrant article. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

5. Shall the District acquire the land and buildings situated at 42 Linden Street, Exeter, NH, shown as Parcel 0009 on Exeter Tax Map 82 and raise and appropriate the sum of \$206,000 for the purpose of acquiring said land and building? This is a special warrant article. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

6. Shall the District acquire additional real estate, to be determined by the School Board, for the purpose of increasing the number of athletic/recreation playing fields and possible future building site, and located less than one (1) mile from the current high school site, and raise and appropriate the sum of up to \$500,000 for the purpose of acquiring said real estate? This is a special warrant article. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

7. Shall the District appropriate up to \$200,000 to be withdrawn from the capital reserve fund under RSA 35:1 established by the 1998 District meeting for the purpose of construction, reconstruction, or acquisition of school buildings and/or school ground site improvements, including associated engineering and architectural fees, for the purpose of life safety code renovations to the Exeter High School? This is a special warrant article. (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

8. Shall the District raise and appropriate the sum of the amount of the June 30, 2000 undesignated fund balance (surplus), up to \$200,000, to be added to the capital reserve fund under RSA 35:1 established by the 1998 District meeting for the purpose of construction, reconstruction, or acquisition of school buildings and/or school ground site improvements, including associated engineering and architectural fees? (The School Board recommends this appropriation.)

9. On petition of Raymond E. Trueman and others: "Shall the voters of the ERCSD vote to privatize all Financial Services (Business Office) thereby eliminating the position of the Business Manager and staff. The Financial Services company shall have the authority to perform as the Comptroller of the ERCSD?" This Provision shall become effective within 100 days after passage. (The School Board does NOT recommend adoption of this article.)

10. On petition of Raymond E. Trueman and others: "Shall the voters of the ERCSD vote to limit any and all work performed by a Construction Manager to an amount not to exceed fifteen per cent

(15%) of the total gross amount of said project, including the Exeter High School and Annex Project?"

"Further shall any and all contractual services, purchases, and acquisitions in excess of Twenty Five Hundred Dollars (\$2500.00) conform with "Public Advertised Bidding Procedures (state and municipal)?" All contracts shall be awarded to the lowest qualified bidder. This Citizens Petition shall become effective upon passage (The School Board does NOT recommend adoption of this article.)

11. On petition of Raymond E. Trueman and others: "Shall the voters of the ERCSD vote to approve a Spending Cap in the amount of Eighteen Million Dollars (\$18,000,000.00) for the addition, renovation, and Accreditation of the Exeter High School and Annex?" (The School Board does NOT recommend adoption of this article.)

12. On petition of Raymond E. Trueman and others: "Shall the voters of the ERCSD vote to eliminate any and all commingling of services, supplies, and employees, already in the employ of the ERCSD, with any and all other school districts. (The School Board does NOT recommend adoption of this article.)

13. On petition of Raymond E. Trueman and others: "Shall the voters of the ERCSD vote to contract with an independent accounting firm to perform a Certified Audit of the financial records of the ERCSD, from inception to present, including verification of expenditures according to prior authorization by school board vote and or board policies. This shall include the Construction Exit Audit of the Cooperative Middle School?" (The School Board does NOT recommend adoption of this article.)

14. On petition of Raymond E. Trueman and others: "Shall the Exeter Region Cooperative School District create a planning committee according to the provisions of RSA 194-C, in order to consider withdrawal from SAU 16 (The School Board does NOT recommend adoption of this article.)

15. On petition of Raymond E. Trueman and others: "Shall the voters of the ERCSD vote to have the First Session (Deliberative Session) on Saturday (in the A.M.) or Sunday (1:00 P.M.)?" (The School Board does NOT recommend adoption of this article.)

16. On petition of Raymond E. Trueman and others: "Shall the voters of the ERCSD vote to direct the ERCSD Board to apply any

and all State of New Hampshire Education Grant Funding (State Property Tax Installments) directly to the ERCSD Operational Budget for curriculum studies only?" (The School Board does NOT recommend adoption of this article.)

17. On petition of Raymond E. Trueman and others: Shall the Voters of the Exeter Regional Cooperative School District vote to change Auditors for the next fiscal year. Bids shall be sent out by May 1, 2000 and it shall be for a three year contract. The First year shall be a complete in-depth audit of all accounts of revenues and expenses including but not limited to invoices, purchase orders, Bids and any other items which are required by our Board Policies. This audit shall exceed the Basic Audit requirements. The second and third year shall be a Basic Audit as prescribed by generally accepted auditing principles. Auditors shall change every three years with the same procedure as above for the first year. (The School Board does NOT recommend adoption of this article.)

18. To hear reports of agents, auditors, and committees or officers heretofore chosen.

19. To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

SECOND SESSION: At the polling places designated below on Tuesday, March 14, 2000, to choose the following School District Officers: School District Board Member (Stratham), School District Board Member (Exeter), School District Board Member (Newfields), and School District Moderator; and vote on the articles listed as 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17 as those articles may be amended at the First Session; by ballot, the polls to be open at the polling places at the hours designated below:

Voter In Town Of:	Polling Place:	Polling Hours:
Brentwood	Brentwood Fire Hall	10:00 AM to 7:00 PM
East Kingston	East Kingston Elementary School	8:00 AM to 7:00 PM
Exeter	Exeter Town Hall	8:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Kensington	Kensington Town Hall	8:00 AM to 7:30 PM
Newfields	Newfields Town Hall	11:00 AM to 7:00 PM
Stratham	Stratham Municipal Center	8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE SCHOOL BOARD

ARTICLE 2 - PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET

Program	Budget 1998-1999	Actual 1998-1999	Budget 1999-2000	Budget 2000-2001	Inc/Dec Actual	Inc/Dec Percent
Art	252,984	239,835	244,045	244,045	0	0.0%
Music	264,135	260,801	275,224	275,224	0	0.0%
Physical Education	341,588	360,636	394,088	394,088	0	0.0%
Basic Classroom	78,148	109,519	335,218	335,218	0	0.0%
Reading	256,517	264,792	254,612	254,612	0	0.0%
Mathematics	1,027,078	1,017,049	1,036,205	1,036,205	0	0.0%
Business Ed	104,640	91,161	93,195	93,195	0	0.0%
Science	1,227,044	1,267,076	1,302,268	1,302,268	0	0.0%
English	1,120,615	1,121,342	1,213,309	1,213,309	0	0.0%
ESL	12,800	16,072	17,058	17,058	0	0.0%
Social Studies	961,692	1,081,596	1,081,899	1,081,899	0	0.0%
Foreign Lang	577,641	567,262	596,640	596,640	0	0.0%
Health	108,770	108,489	119,132	119,132	0	0.0%
Home Economics	197,487	177,603	158,365	158,365	0	0.0%
Tech Ed	226,998	172,654	151,422	151,422	0	0.0%
Computer	345,372	282,302	337,664	337,664	0	0.0%
Subs/Sab/Tutors	141,000	205,997	248,862	259,953	11,091	4.3%
Alternative Program	5,000	0	52,380	52,380	0	0.0%
New Profesional Staff	N/A	N/A	N/A	410,665	410,665	100.0%
Regular Ed	7,249,509	7,344,186	7,911,586	8,333,342	421,756	5.1%
Special Education	2,070,929	2,007,694	2,246,852	2,286,794	39,942	1.7%
SST	714,427	737,395	742,254	745,243	2,989	0.4%
Athletic/Extracurr	426,915	401,098	475,187	475,187	0	0.0%
Adult Ed	44,983	44,983	46,618	48,485	1,867	3.9%
Guidance	639,093	631,375	668,415	671,859	3,444	0.5%
Nurse Services	189,149	153,844	160,078	161,522	1,444	0.9%
Library	241,793	212,366	231,272	236,034	4,762	2.0%
School Board	79,000	141,279	82,000	82,652	652	0.8%
SAU #16 Admin	280,696	280,698	366,257	364,512	-1,745	-0.5%
School Admin	812,169	894,389	1,036,699	1,109,736	73,037	6.6%
Fiscal Services	183,223	201,478	183,223	192,157	8,934	4.6%
Plant Operations	1,485,547	1,442,144	1,663,888	1,907,864	243,976	12.8%
Transportation	565,902	549,856	574,447	736,000	161,553	22.0%
Benefits	2,761,130	2,853,235	3,307,231	3,657,000	349,769	9.6%
Insurance	80,834	35,800	80,834	80,834	0	0.0%
General Fund Total	17,825,299	17,931,820	19,776,841	21,089,221	1,312,380	6.2%
Debt Service	2,547,998	2,547,998	2,547,078	2,544,808	(2,270)	
Cap Res Funds	110,000	110,000	750,000	0	(750,000)	
Capital Projects	480,400	480,400	680,400	0	(680,400)	
Federal/State Grants	1,007,714	519,562	1,074,794	1,074,794	0	
Food Service Fund	560,000	842,635	560,000	560,000	0	
TOTAL - All Funds	22,531,411	22,432,415	25,389,113	25,268,823	(120,290)	-0.5%

EXETER REGION COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Combined Balance Sheet - from the Independent Auditor's Report (EXHIBIT A)
June 30, 1999

<u>ASSET AND OTHER DEBITS</u>	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust Agency	General LT Debt	Totals
<i>Assets</i>						
Cash and Equivalents	359,593	275		143,121		502,989
Investments	815,679		1,078,071			1,893,750
Accounts Receivable	72,350	5,501				77,851
Intergovernmental Receivable	21,438	34,931				56,369
Interfund Receivable	963,826	127,421	79,447	110,000		1,280,694
Prepaid Items	42,612					42,612
<i>Other Debits</i>						
Amount provided for LT Debt					23,591,710	23,591,710
Total Assets and Other Debits	2,275,498	168,128	1,157,518	253,121	23,591,710	27,445,975
<u>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</u>						
<i>Liabilities</i>						
Accounts Payable	75,060	18,072	477			93,609
Accrued Payroll and Benefits	73,580	5,893				79,473
Interfund Payable	316,868	13,826	950,000			1,280,694
Due to Student Groups				143,121		143,121
Deferred Revenues	531,551					531,551
General Obligation Debt Payable					23,036,710	23,036,710
Compensated Absences Payable					555,000	555,000
Total Liabilities	997,059	37,791	950,477	143,121	23,591,710	25,720,158
<i>Equity</i>						
<i>Fund Balances</i>						
Reserved for Encumbrances	114,014	204	109,000			223,218
Reserved for Special Purposes			98,041	110,000		208,041
<i>Unreserved</i>						
Designated for Special Purposes		130,133				130,133
Undesignated	1,164,425					1,164,425
Total Equity	1,278,439	130,337	207,041	110,000		1,725,817
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	2,275,498	168,128	1,157,518	253,121	23,591,710	27,445,975

SAU 16 Budget 2000-2001

Fiscal Services

Description	1998- 1999 Budget	1998- 1999 Actual	1999- 2000 Budget	2000- 2001 Proposed
Managers Salaries	33,625	33,622	34,970	34,970
Payroll – A/P Salaries	21,192	21,214	22,040	22,040
Health Insurance	10,508	10,192	11,750	13,700
Dental Insurance	411	542	540	654
Life Insurance	108	129	112	218
Workers Compensation	446	0	481	490
NH Retirement	2,347	2,366	2,420	2,800
FICA	4,194	4,195	4,361	4,500
Disability Insurance	315	295	2,708	343
Unemployment Comp.	100	100	112	100
Conferences	200	200	200	320
Longevity	0	0	0	2,000
Computer Support Services	1,500	528	3,000	3,000
Repair and Maintenance	2,500	0	2,500	1,500
Treasurer's Bond	200	188	200	200
Telephone Expense	1,500	571	1,500	1,500
Supplies Expense	1,500	1,467	1,500	1,500
FY 2001 Salary Increases				1,425
Less FY 1999 Surplus				(1,441)
TOTALS	\$80,646	\$75,608	\$88,894	\$90,319

SAU 16 APPROVED BUDGET 2000-2001

Description	1998- 1999 Budget	1998- 1999 Actual	1999- 2000 Budget	2000- 2001 Proposed
Administrative Salaries	195,750	195,750	203,000	279,000
SAU 16 Treas. & Board Sec.	1,500	1,127	1,500	1,500
Supplemental Salaries	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Secretarial Salaries	69,984	77,899	80,200	103,200
Additional Secretary Position	0	0	28,000	
Fiscal Service Manager (9%)	3,736	3,736	3,885	3,885
Human Services Manager	36,250	36,250	37,700	37,700
Curriculum Coordinator	50,000	50,527	56,160	
Network Administrator	0	0	61,000	
Payroll Clerk Salaries	2,355	2,355	2,449	2,449
Workers Compensation	3,000	39	3,000	3,000
NH Retirement	14,009	14,967	29,553	34,400
FICA	25,305	26,460	29,553	34,400
Disability Insurance	1,500	1,412	2,875	2,884
Unemployment Comp.	420	736	448	450
Longevity (9%)				177
Course Reimbursement	2,000	1,204	1,500	1,500
Conferences	3,500	2,465	3,500	4,000
Staff Training & Consultants	3,000	3,161	6,000	11,820
Audit Expense	4,000	4,057	4,000	4,200
Legal Expense	4,000	2,505	4,000	4,000
Repair & Maintenance	8,000	3,841	8,000	8,000
Rent	23,500	25,568	27,500	30,000
Errors & Omissions	11,000	5,229	11,000	5,400
Property Insurance	1,750	301	1,750	1,750
Telephone Expense	8,150	5,450	11,000	11,000
Postage Expense	8,000	7,961	9,000	9,000
Travel Expense	7,200	8,245	8,200	9,600
Supplies Expense	15,500	13,654	15,700	16,000
Custodial Supplies	2,700	1,891	2,700	2,400
Equipment Expense	4,000	12,704	4,400	4,500
Dues & Subscriptions	6,250	4,836	6,250	6,300
Contingency Account	1,500	1,188	1,500	1,500
FY 2001 Salary Increase				7,575
Less FY99 Surplus				4,126)
TOTALS	\$557,571	\$552,602	%695,953	\$694,528

SAU 16 REPORT OF ADMINISTRATION

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In August, several schools in SAU 16 welcomed new administrators to their buildings: Gary Head, Principal, Exeter High School; Jerry Frew, Principal, Cooperative Middle School; and Pat Cushing, Principal, East Kingston Elementary School. Additionally, the following individuals assumed new positions: Cas Donovan, full time Assistant Principal, Exeter High School; Bill Ball, Athletic Director, Exeter High School; Mike Olson, Assistant Principal, Cooperative Middle School; Ton Fosher, Principal, Stratham Memorial School; Dennis Dobe, Assistant Principal, Stratham Memorial School; and Thaia Katsos, Assistant Principal at both Main Street and Lincoln Street School.

The Schools opened their doors to continued record enrollments: Swasey Elementary School in Brentwood – 254; East Kingston Elementary School – 181; Exeter Elementary (Main Street School and Lincoln Street School) – 1090; Kensington Elementary School – 173; Newfields Elementary School – 143; Stratham Memorial School – 626; Cooperative Middle School – 1298; and Exeter High School – 1448.

Due to these enrollments, most school districts are investigating renovations and/or new construction to their school facility. East Kingston broke ground in October for an additional four classrooms, including Kindergarten. Swasey School in Brentwood, Newfields Elementary and Kensington Elementary are in the final stages of putting together plans for additions at their schools. Once again, Lincoln Street School will present a warrant article to the Exeter voters in an effort to address the remaining building deficiencies.

The Exeter Regional Cooperative School Board has been involved for the past twenty-six months in a comprehensive review of space and building needs for Exeter High School staff and students. The current structure not only presents the students and staff with physical

inadequacies, but limits our educational abilities to perform at the standards set forth by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

The board held a two-day "Future Search Conference" in the spring of 1999. A broad cross-section of individuals from the SAU towns, including parents, students, educators and community members, participated in this endeavor. Although there were many outcomes and recommendations from the group, the major endorsement of the participants was to renovate the current facility versus building a new high school.

The on-going High School Facilities Committee, chaired by John Henson, was charged by the Coop Board to develop a recommended renovation/new construction site plan with assistance from Banwell Architects and Hutter Construction Company. In conjunction with the High School Facilities Committee, a Publicity Committee was created and is presently speaking to service organizations, parent groups, various school boards and other interested parties regarding the recommended plan. They are also leading tours of the current high school to educate the community concerning the immediate need for this project.

There continues to be a sense of collaboration among the individual school districts. As a SAU, we are continually working to coordinate curriculum, technology initiatives, a common evaluation process for both teachers and administrators through a district-wide committee, and a crisis management and emergency response plan for all schools in the SAU.

Because of the many funding challenges that we face in SAU 16, the boards and administrators are working diligently to present school budgets that reflect this. As an example, the SAU budget for the school year 2000-2001, as approved by the SAU Joint School Board in December 1999, is level-funded.

The offering of quality education continues to be a priority for the citizens of SAU 16. The continued support and involvement of many businesses, community members and parents is truly appreciated. Working together, we can assure that our graduates are ready to meet the challenges of the 21st century.

SUPERINTENDENT'S PRORATED SALARY 1998-1999

Brentwood	\$3,750.00
East Kingston	\$2,768.00
Exeter	\$20,011.00
Exeter Region Cooperative	\$43,937.00
Kensington	\$2,620.00
Newfields	\$2,246.00
Stratham	\$11,688.00
	\$87,000.00

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S PRORATED SALARY 1998-1999

Brentwood	\$3,126.00
East Kingston	\$2,308.00
Exeter	\$16,675.00
Exeter Region Cooperative	\$36,613.00
Kensington	\$2,183.00
Newfields	\$1,872.00
Stratham	\$9,723.00
	\$72,500.00

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S PRORATED SALARY 1998-1999

Brentwood	\$1,566.00
East Kingston	\$1,153.00
Exeter	\$8,338.00
Exeter Region Cooperative	\$18,306.00
Kensington	\$1,091.00
Newfields	\$935.00
Stratham	\$4,861.00
	\$36,250.00

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